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MERRY XMAS IS PROMISED; BIG BUSINESS DONE

Shoppers Did Their Buying Early and Often, Merchants Say.

HOMECOMERS ARE ON THE MOVE

Travel is Heavy on Trains and Trolleys; Postoffice and Express Stations in Midst of the Rush Now and Vehicles are in Great Demand

The day before Christmas found the stores crowded, but the rush was over. Merchants declared that persons this year did their holiday buying early and often. The business was unusually heavy and for the first time in recent years attained boom-like proportions.

This was the first really cheerful Christmas for the business men since 1906. In 1907 the money stringency curtailed buying and the succeeding years were somewhat lean. However, 1912 set a new mark for trade and the prosperity of the coke region was reflected in the holiday buying that has prevailed for the past several weeks.

Tonight will come the final rush. Belated purchasers will crowd the stores for eleventh hour gifts for those who have been overlooked, or hadn't been included in the early buying list.

The storm of mail and packages has struck the postoffice and express offices. All sorts of vehicles are being pressed into service. Last night and today there has been no rest for the transportation organizations, whether Uncle Sam's or private concerns. Mail carriers are overloaded and find it impossible to make schedule time in covering their routes.

Last evening the second deliveries were running hours behind time and today it is worse. In spite of additional service the postal employes are swamped with both incoming and outgoing mail. The outbound packages are less numerous, but in numbers the incoming bundles have made up for this.

It will be days before normal conditions are restored at the postoffice or with the express companies. However, every effort is being made to have the presents delivered on Christmas day.

The rush of express matter has been so great since yesterday that drivers starting on their morning deliveries do not return until late in the afternoon. Additional wagons have been pressed into service by both the United States, Adams and American express companies.

WANTS GIRL HELD

Coroner's Jury Fixes Blame for Death of Baby.

A Coroner's jury recommended yesterday that Anna Zavatchan, the 15-year-old girl who threw her new-born baby from a window of the Wyman Hotel into the rear lot, be held to answer charges by the Grand Jury.

The inquest in the death of the child was conducted by Coroner H. J. Bell at C. C. Mitchell's undertaking rooms, South Pittsburg street. The jury decided that the child came to its death from unknown causes and that the girl tried to conceal its birth by throwing it from the hotel. The jury was composed of Lott Rush, C. C. Mitchell, Harry Jennings, W. P. Clark, L. L. West and D. P. Patterson.

The girl was today paroled by Judge Umbel in the custody of Mrs. J. J. Bamford of the Salvation Army and placed in the Salvation Army Rescue Home in Pittsburg.

MORE AUTO QUESTIONS.

License Applications for 1913 Include Car's Pedigree.

When the automobile owner makes application for his 1913 license, in addition to questions answered last year, he will have to give the year in which his machine was built, the number of cylinders and the diameter of the bore.

Notary W. P. Clark has received a number of license application blanks and has found that many auto owners are not aware of the new requirements. A few days ago, he said, one man could not remember the year in which his automobile was made and was compelled to go several miles to his home to learn the date.

Presents for the Poor.

On Thursday evening at 6.30 o'clock the chapel of the First Presbyterian church will be thrown open to the Salvation Army for the purpose of distributing toys, candy and other articles to the poor. A number of persons have expressed a desire to be present when the children receive their gifts.

Has Blood Poison.

George Lowry of Dunbar is at the Cottage State hospital suffering from blood poison of the hand resulting from a cut suffered recently. Mr. Lowry met with the accident while at work at the glass works at Dunbar. It is feared amputation will be necessary.

Xmas Spirit in Police Court.

The Christmas spirit apparently crept into Police court this morning, for Burgess J. L. Evans discharged one man, and let out two others to get money for fines.

MILL PAYS; BANKS TO BE OPEN THIS EVENING; LATE BUYERS FRANTIC.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 24.—At the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company's offices it is pay day, and thousands of dollars are being given out to the 800 employes of the Scottdale and Old Meadow mills. All the banks have arranged to be open from 7 to 9 o'clock tonight to accommodate their customers. New money is much in demand, and there is a tremendous Christmas rush at the stores, the frantic late buyers getting in their agonizing labors of selecting a late-minute-present or so.

CHURCH CENSUS AND ITS PURPOSE TOLD IN DETAIL

Committee Outlines Real Need for Canvass of Community.

INFORMATION IS NOW LIMITED

Formal Statement Issued Telling Why Churches are Interested in Movement to Procure Detailed Data as to Church Membership and Leaning.

Believing that some do not fully understand what the taking of a religious census should mean to Connellsville, the committee in charge has prepared a statement of the purpose and probable result. It follows:

"It is said that there are more children and young people out of the Sunday school than in it. This can hardly be true of Connellsville. That a great many of those who are enrolled are irregular in attendance. That many parents take little or no interest in the Sunday school. This serves to show the need of something being done. Every city pastor knows that when he undertakes to direct his church in aggressive service that one of the first difficulties is to determine just who belongs to his church.

"Congregational boundaries overlap and are undefinable. Removals in and out are constant and unannounced. Hence a visiting list can ordinarily be only approximately correct. Thorough visitations of towns and cities have shown that there are many who are not recognized as being under the care of any church. To give the church and Sunday school an accurate record of those to whom they have a right to minister and incidentally to invite all to attend the House of God is the purpose of an interdenominational visitation.

"The results of such visitation should be a profound impression on all classes as the volunteer workers go forth with no other motive than to do good; a practical demonstration of church unity; cases of real need, both temporal, and spiritual brought to light; an immediate increase in attendance upon the Sunday school and church services.

"In view of these facts there should be no lack of volunteers for this work. This visitation must be thorough if beneficial results are to be obtained. Let all those who have promised and as many others as can give this important work an afternoon of their time and service, come to the meeting at the Y. M. C. A. on next Thursday night, December 26, at 7.30 o'clock to receive the instructions regarding the work.

GUILTY CONSCIENCE CAUSES RETURN OF A STOLEN MUFF

Sent to Mrs. J. W. Mitchell as a Christmas Gift; Taken From Her Last Spring.

One mind in Connellsville or vicinity, unable to withstand the "pull" of the spirit of good will with the approach of Christmas, returned stolen goods to a home here last evening in an apparent try for a happy holiday.

On an evening of last March, the home of Constable J. W. Mitchell on Apple street, was entered and a $35 muff and a house dress belonging to Mrs. Mitchell stolen. The robbery was discovered by Mrs. Mitchell.

To replace the articles, Mr. Mitchell purchased a new muff and dress. The memory of the robbery slipped gradually away with the days. Last evening Mrs. Mitchell went out for a few hours. Returning, she found a package awaiting her. Lifting it from a table, she read:

"Please do not open until Christmas."

Curiosity overpowered the inclination to await the holiday, and Mrs. Mitchell tore away the coverings. Throwing aside papers littered with Christmas tags and greetings, she lifted the lid from a box. There lay the stolen muff, its condition almost the same as when it disappeared. Pinned to it was a holiday card with the inscription:

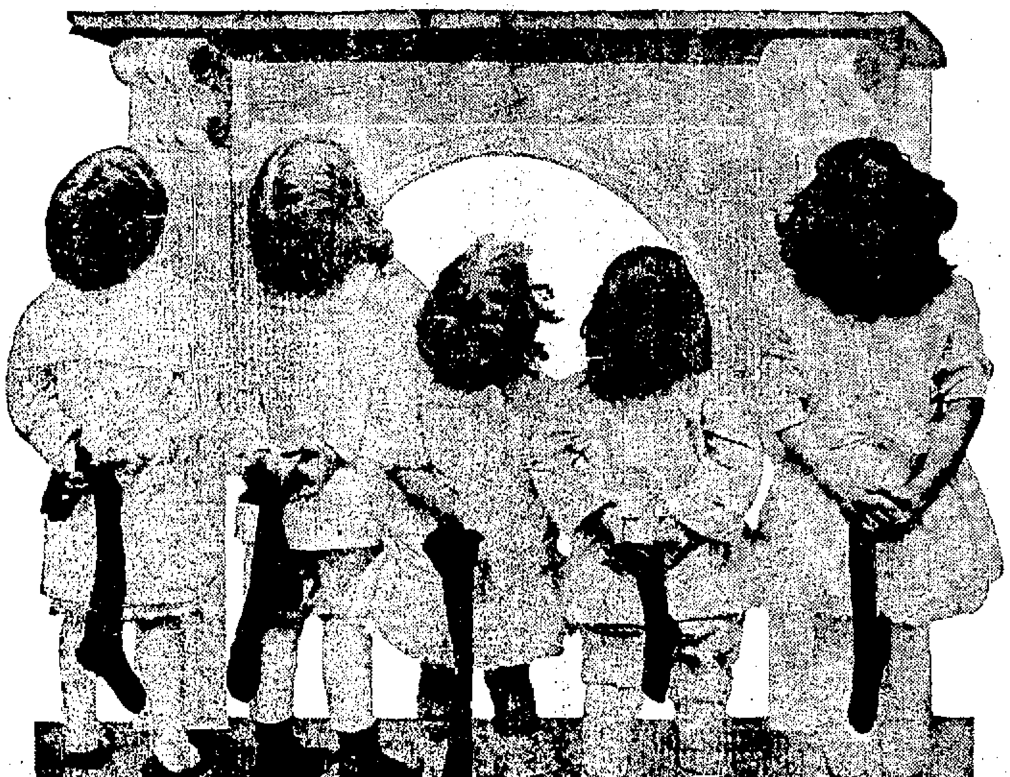
"From a guilty conscience."

The dress was not brought back. Constable Mitchell was unable to find a clue to the one whose heart had been uneasy.

Choses Social Secretary.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson has named Miss Isabella Hagner of Washington as her social secretary.

"Where Shall We Hang Them?"



In hanging stockings up at night
For Santa Claus to fill
One ought to pick the bestest spot;
To choose it takes some skill.

And we love Santa Claus so much,
He's such a dear old chap,
That we won't let bad Tommy try
To catch him with a trap.

WHITE CHRISTMAS IS ASSURED BY A HEAVY SNOW FALL

Four Inches of the "Beautiful" Covers the Coke Region.

IS DEEP IN THE MOUNTIANS

Railroads and Trolley Lines Have Trouble but Soon Get Trains and Cars Running on Time; Sled Market Given Boost on Last Shopping Day.

A white Christmas was assured by a heavy fall of snow which covered the coke region in a white blanket during the night. Approximately four inches of snow fell throughout this section, but in the mountains it was much heavier. In some portions of Somerset county the snow is reported to be a foot deep. At Sand Patch the Baltimore & Ohio railroad reported eight inches.

It was the first real snow storm of the winter. This year the snow has held off longer than usual and it was feared that the green Christmas would prevail, with its subsequent "fat graveyard," as the superstitious would have averred. However, the sleighs are already making their appearance and the jingle of the bells is adding the final touch to the holiday atmosphere.

Real Christmas buying was on today. The last shopping day before Christmas, with a mantle of white over the country, save for the sooty specks from the coke ovens, added a zest to buying which had not prevailed before. Incidentally the merchants who stocked heavily with sleds were cheered by the bull movement which marked the buying this morning.

It had appeared as if the sled business would be smaller than usual and even the optimistic youngsters had about abandoned hope of getting a real slide this winter. Now they are hoping that a cold snap will happen along to put skates in vogue.

The snow caused trouble on the railroads and trolley lines. Switches became clogged, causing delay in operating trains and cars. Early runs on the West Penn were about 15 minutes behind their schedule but after trackmen had cleared the switches it was possible to make time again.

On the Baltimore & Ohio railroad several trains were somewhat behind schedule but the most serious delay was to No. 6, which was tied up west of Pittsburg and went through more than an hour late. A train was made up in Pittsburg and went through on schedule time as the first section.

Two derailments were reported as a result of the storm. A locomotive left the tracks at Leith and a car of a freight train jumped the track at Hyndman. No one was injured and the delay to traffic was not serious.

Snow began falling about nine o'clock last evening. It was wet, and felt like rain. By morning the ground was completely covered. The snow was damp and the weatherwise declared it would make fine ground for sleighing.

Taft Arrives in Panama.

COLON, Panama, Dec. 24.—President Taft landed at 8.10 this morning.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS BIG PART IN THE UNUSUAL HAPPENINGS OF A DAY

MAKES CASKET OF GIFTS; MAN THEN KILLS HIMSELF.

DENVER, Colo.—"I want to get along with everybody and I want everybody to like me. But it makes me mighty sore when I think of the big crowd my wife has invited to our house for Christmas dinner."

This was the remark made by Kenneth K. Kane, a railway clerk, aged 40, just before he committed suicide by shooting himself. Before ending his life Kane collected all the Christmas packages his relatives had sent him, arranged them in the shape of a coffin and lay down inside the casket of gifts.

TOOTH BRUSHES HIS GIFT TO 162 SCHOOL CHILDREN.

DANIELSON, Conn.—The latest exponent of the useful Christmas gift idea is Warden W. L. Bullard, who presented to each of the 162 children in the primary grade of the School Street school and the St. James Parochial School, a tooth brush, tube of tooth paste and a can of tooth powder. With each gift went a pledge to be signed by each child, promising to obey all the rules and use the Christmas present twice a day, Sunday included.

FAILS TO BEAT HIS WAY TO WIFE; MAN A SUICIDE.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Because he had failed in his effort to "beat way" to Los Angeles, Calif., to meet his wife on Christmas day, Albert X. Horney, of Watertown, N. Y., plunged 200 feet to his death in an abandoned quarry.

Torney left Atlantic City, N. J. where he had been working as a painter, on Thanksgiving Day, hoping to reach Los Angeles yesterday or today. When he became stranded here, he wrote a note saying "I died an easy death."

KENTUCKY TURKEY TO BE FOUND ON WILSON TABLE.

WASHINGTON — President-elect Wilson's family cook at Princeton today is preparing the 45-pound turkey given by South Trimble, chief clerk of the House of Representatives, for the Christmas feast.

No ordinary bird is this mammoth among the 600 turkeys in the Trimble flock, raised this year near Frankfort, Ky. It has been nurtured as befits a king gobbler, on sweet chestnuts, with celery and pepper, to give a wild flavor to its flesh.

THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Wednesday, is the noon weather forecast.

Temperature Record.

	1912	1911
Maximum	44	46
Minimum	28	40
Mean	36	

The Yough river rose from 1.75 last evening to 1.90 this morning.

NO PAPER TOMORROW.

Following the usual custom The Courier will not be issued on Christmas day.

CAR LEAVES RAILS ON BRIDGE; TWENTY PERSONS IN PERIL

Steel Girder Prevents Trolley From Plunging Through Space.

HANGS ON EDGE FOR FOUR HOURS

Dangerous Curve Makes Slow Speed Necessary and This Made it Possible to Check Car as End Strikes Big Support Along Side of the Trestle.

One steel girder and a slow rate of speed saved car No. 702 of the West Penn Railways Company, with 20 passengers, from plunging 30 feet from the Summit bridge to the Southwest Pennsylvania railroad between Alverton and Tarr at 3.50 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The car, southbound, left the rails as it came on the bridge. The front truck jumped along the ties for about ten feet and dropped the car end against the girder, smashing several windows and severely frightening the passengers.

For more than four hours the car hung on the bridge before workmen were able to place it on the track and bring it here. The passengers, several of whom were bound for Connellsville, were compelled to walk over the trestle and wait almost an hour for a transfer car.

One passenger who left Greensburg for Connellsville on car No. 702 said here that he had a premonition that some accident would occur before reaching his destination. At New Stanton he said he felt that he should leave the car, but kept his seat. Had the trestle been without girders, the man said the car would have plunged to the tracks below.

The Summit is one of the most dangerous points along the West Penn lines, steep grades and sharp curves leading to both ends of the bridge.

LEPLEY QUITS.

Sixth Ward Member Resigns From Town Council.

Councilman Solomon Lepley of the Sixth Ward, tendered his resignation to Borough Clerk A. O. Bixler last night. It will be presented to Council in its first January meeting.

In resigning from Council Mr. Lepley said the work of representing his ward is interfering too much with his business. This morning, he gave an additional reason for leaving the body, declaring:

"I am getting tired of the way the business of Council is being conducted. The Councilmen use neither good judgment nor good language."

To Find Home for Children.

After promising to place her four children in suitable homes or institutions and to leave her house on North Pittsburg street, Mrs. Mary Sidebottom was let go on two charges by Justice of the Peace Lawrence Donegan yesterday afternoon. She paid the costs in both cases.

Granted a Respite.

Governor Tener has granted a respite until January 28 for John Harris, the negro who was to have been hanged on December 31.

CARRIERS DRAG LITTLE WAGONS; BOYS ALONG AS OFFBEARERS, TOO.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 24.—"It's the biggest business the postoffice has ever done for Christmas," said Postmaster B. C. Fretts as he scooped a big pile of parcels from the mailing window shelf.

There were packages to the right of him, packages to the left of him, packages behind him and more being brought in at the front of the office. All the carriers are busy dragging little wagons or having them dragged by boys on their routes, the boys acting as snappers and offbearers for the packages.

NEW SAND PATCH TUNNEL IS OPENED FIRST TIME TODAY

Connellsville Division Gives President Willard a Xmas Gift.

FREIGHT THROUGH AT 2.50 P. M.

One of Most Remarkable Engineering Feats on Record is Construction of the Tube and Its Speed in Building; Interests Railroad Builders.

The Connellsville division presented President Daniel Willard of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad with a unique Christmas gift today when the new double track Sand Patch tunnel was opened for train operation.

Opening of the tunnel marks practically the completion of the gigantic program of improvement inaugurated by Mr. Williard just three years ago, when he became President of the Baltimore & Ohio and began the construction of a third track across the Allegheny mountains and the general rehabilitation of the property. The enlargement of facilities and purchase of new equipment represents a cost in round figures of $60,000,000.

The first train with engine No. 2804 passed through Sand Patch tunnel about 2.50 o'clock this afternoon. The new tunnel is at the summit of the Allegheny mountains, between Sand Patch and Manila, 30 miles west of Cumberland. Its cost was approximately $1,250,010. The improvement is regarded as one of the greatest engineering feats accomplished in this country, and the attention of railroad builders throughout the world has been attracted to it. The improvement was authorized by the Baltimore & Ohio directors on March 13, 1911, work having been started at once and rushed with remarkable progress. A total of 700,000 cubic yards of earth was excavated at the rate of about 600 yards a day. An average of 1,500 men was employed during the construction of the tunnel.

The new tunnel is of standard Baltimore & Ohio design, about 4,000 feet long, with a width of 31 feet and height of 25 feet. It is double-tracked throughout, lined with concrete to a depth of 6 feet, has a brick roof and is equipped with a modern system of ventilation. Seven thousand cubic yards of concrete and two million bricks were used in lining the tunnel. Though at a lower level, it parallels a single track tunnel built in 1871 and provides three tracks through the mountains. The new line joins the present one in the vicinity of Manila on the east and Sand Patch on the west. The tunnel was built by H. S. Kerbaugh, Incorporated, of Philadelphia, under the supervision of F. L. Stuart, Chief Engineer; Paul Didier, principal assistant, and D. P. Janney, Resident Engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio.

BROWNSVILLE BANK IS ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD

Monongahela National Has a Proud Record of Stability; Stood Firm in Storms.

The second oldest financial institution west of the Allegheny mountains and one of only about half a dozen in the United States with a record of 100 years, the Monongahela National Bank of Brownsville, celebrated its centennial yesterday. Its history is a story of conservative stability and safety that places it in a small and favored class.

While other institutions have gone down or staggered in the various and varied financial storms that have swept the country, the Monongahela has a proud record of having always redeemed its obligations and of having always redeemed its notes in gold. But once since its establishment in the "wild cat" days of 1837, has it suspended specie payments, and then only in response to a petition from the citizens who were its patrons.

Friends and patrons of the institution attended exercises at the building yesterday.

The officers of the bank are: Charles L. Snowden, President; W. A. Edmiston, Vice President and cashier, and Thomas Waggoner, assistant cashier. The directors are Mr. Snowden, Mr. Edmiston, Dr. H. J. English, L. C. Waggoner, A. A. Carmack, Harry Kisinger, Eli Bar and J. Howard Snowden.

Sent to Penitentiary.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 24.—Senator Deton was given 3 years for bribery.

FATHER DELUDED, IS CHARGE; WILL BEING CONTESTED

Somerset Relatives Object to Distribution of Lohr Estate.

DEFEND NAME OF AGED WOMAN

Husband Thought Her Untrue and Made His Will Accordingly, is Claim; Want Jury Trial, Despite Adverse Report of Master in the Case.

Special to The Courier.

SOMERSET, Dec. 24.—Alleging that their father labored under an insane delusion concerning the conduct of his aged wife when he made his will, several of the less favored children of Charles Lohr, late of Shade township, have appealed to court from the decision of Attorney John G. Ogle, master, who held that there is not sufficient ground for the contest instituted by some of his children to warrant a trial by a jury. The contestants are Ida May, wife of Harry Poucht; Bertha Jane, wife of Mahlon Beeghley, and Mary Ellen, wife of John Stevens, and Lowman A. Lohr, all of Johnstown, and Elizabeth C. and Owen Lohr, of Shade township.

During the last several years of his life, the contestants allege, Charles Lohr gave frequent manifestations that his mental faculties had become impaired. He admitted, it is said, that he was no longer fit to attend to his business and had to entrust its management to others.

"That for a period of about three years before his death," the contestants' appeal to court sets forth, "he was laboring under an insane delusion that his aged wife had proved unfaithful to him; that improper relations existed between her and a minister of the gospel, and that this delusion was constantly preying upon his mind; that he complained bitterly to his children and other folks about it, and because his children tried to disabuse his mind of this hallucination he became angry at them for taking their mother's part, and for not giving credence to his story."

The dispute over Charles Lohr's will started with a caveat filed with Clerk of Orphans' Court Bert F. Landis several months ago. The caveat was filed by the present contestants and prayed that the will be not probated when filed. The law requires that a bond in caveat proceedings be filed within ten days after the entering of the original petition. After ten days had lapsed and no bond was filed, Clerk Landis took it for granted that the caveators had dropped their objections, and the will was duly probated. Later the caveators appealed to court from the clerk's action, with the result that Judge Ruppel held that the will was legally probated.

A regular contest was then the only remedy, and Attorney Ogle was appointed master to determine whether there were sufficient grounds for a jury trial. After hearing testimony from both sides he decided against the framing of an issue, and the matter is now before Judge Ruppel for review.

In his will Charles Lohr bequeathed the sum of $5,000 to his daughter, Jemima, wife of Simon Holsopple, of Shade township. He left his wife, Annie Lohr, only $100, and she has died since the will contest was instituted. To his granddaughter and grandson, Elizabeth C. and Owen Lohr, he left $100 each. He directed that the balance of his estate, estimated to be worth about $10,000, shall be divided equally among his other children, the contestants, as follows: Mrs. Fetcht, Mrs. Beeghley, Mrs. Stevens and Lowman A. Lohr. He appointed as executor Attorney H. Earle Sorber, of Johnstown.

COL. SWANK RETIRES

And American Iron & Steel Association is Merged With Institute.

Colonel James M. Swank will retire from the active management of the American Iron & Steel Association, January 1, 1913, when the business of gathering the statistics of the iron and steel trade will be turned over to the American Iron & Steel Institute. The offices of the latter are in New York and of the former in Philadelphia. The Philadelphia offices and the Philadelphia clerks will be continued for the present.

Colonel Swank has been engaged in the compilation of the iron and steel statistics of the country for forty years during which period he acquired the confidence of the trade as a statistician and his directories were held as authority. He now retires voluntarily taking with him the sincere regrets of all who know him personally or by reputation.

Borough Employes Paid.

The Finance Committee of Council last night authorized the payment of $2,048.27 to borough employes before Christmas. Orders were distributed immediately after the meeting and this morning to the policemen, firemen, street laborers, borough engineer solicitor and borough clerk.

Three Leave Hospital.

Three patients were discharged from the Cottage State hospital last evening. Miss Leona Fowler who was run down by the fire auto truck returned to her home in South Connellsville. Joe Tuber and Andy Satessy, both of Leisenring No. 1, were the other two discharged.

SOCIETY.

Will Wed Thursday.

The marriage of Salvatore Fusco and Miss Albina Virgilia Della Cortilia will be solemnized in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Italian Catholic Church Thursday morning, December 26, at 11 o'clock in the presence of relatives and immediate friends of the two families. The bride-elect will be attended by her sister, Miss Margaret Della Cortilla as bridesmaid. Gaetano Corrado will serve as best man. After an Eastern wedding trip they will reside in Fairview avenue. The bridegroom-elect is proprietor of the Hotel Royal barber shop and recently returned from a five months' visit in Italy.

Ladies' Aid to Meet.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Methodist Episcopal church will meet Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Carrie Zimmerman on East Fairview avenue.

Liederkranz Treat.

Extensive preparations are being made for the annual Christmas treat for the children of the members of the German Liederkranz tomorrow evening. The treat and entertainment is in charge of the ladies and every child will be remembered.

Junior League Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Junior League of the Methodist Episcopal church will be held in the church on Friday afternoon. In the evening the Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Wolf will hold their annual reception for the young men and women of the church at the parsonage on South Pittsburg street.

HOLD OYSTER SUPPER

Star Junction Boys' Union Has Enjoyable Time.

The Boys' Sunday School Temperance Union of Star Junction held an oyster supper Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. John Ritenour at Star Junction. It was the second supper since the organization of the Union in April and was a very delightful affair. The Union is composed of boys from 5 to 16 years old and is in a very flourishing condition. Various games and music were indulged in and at 9.30 o'clock supper was served by Mrs. Ritenour and daughters, Pearl and May.

Several musical selections were rendered by Miss May Ritenour. The Rev. J. A. Younkin gave an address. Those present were Jesse A. and A. B. Murphy, Charles Meyers, Jacob Esken, James Quinn, Pearl Vance, Ralph Bitner, John Rowley, Earl Pike, Van Ritenour, John Kesh, Joseph Keffer, Henry Leasure, John Coleman, Charles Duffy, Ross Morrow, Charles Kash, Frank Leasure, Daniel Meyers, Clyde Ball, Charles Stimmel, Paul Fisher, Walter Johnson and Richard Rowley, all of Star Junction, and the Rev. J. A. Younkin of Perryopolis.

Christmas Cantata.

The Sunday school of the Methodist Protestant Church at Dunbar will present a Christmas cantata, "Santa Claus' Advice," this evening at 8 o'clock in the church. About fifty members of the school will take part in the exercises. The annual treat was distributed Sunday morning at the close of Sunday school.

Marry in Cumberland.

Jennie Naomi Custer of Somerset and Walter Glenn Hummel of Windber and Cecelia Sweeney and Roy M. Clinkerbeard, both of West Brownsville, were married in Cumberland yesterday.

PAUL RAINEY, COKE MAN, HUNTS GAME WITH CAMERA

Moving Pictures of His African Adventures Will Be Shown Here on Saturday.

Moving pictures of Paul J. Rainey's big game hunt through Africa will be shown at the Soisson on Saturday. Mr. Rainey, son of the late W. J. Rainey, one of the largest merchant operators of the Connellsville coke region and now one of the heads of that big concern, spends much of his time in the out of doors. He hunted big game in Alaska before going to Africa.

The pictures were taken for scientific purposes and not with the intention of commercializing them. However, the results were so good that Mr. Rainey was induced to let the films be shown throughout the country.

The Rainey expedition consisted of 35 white men, 325 black men, 137 camels, 40 horses, 60 dogs, 54 oxen, and 150 sheep on the hoof. Mr. Rainey, Prof. Heller of the Smithsonian Institute, and others, and their personal retinues, met Allen Black of Australia, and Augustus Outram of the Transvaal, at Port Said, and while traveling to Mombassa, completed their plans. Dr. William Johnston was added as physician and surgeon, and a staff of photographers.

At Mombassa the complete Safari, or hunting journey was arranged. Black giants of the Wahkambahs, lithe and agile Swaheelis, thin and wiry Kavandas and Kharhuas, the courageous inky Massai, and smart Somalis, all African tribesmen noted for their endurance and other worthy qualities, accompanied the expedition, some as employes and carriers, and the remainder for the love of the sport.

Mr. Rainey's expedition cost him over $250,000, and the time consumed was about one year.

Mr. Rainey and his brother, Roy A. Rainey, are now at the head of the W. J. Rainey interests, which own some 2,500 ovens in the Connellsville coke region. Both of the young men are known throughout this section, which they have frequently visited since boyhood. At the time W. J. Rainey began the development of his coking coal holdings the family resided in Cleveland. They now make their home in New York. Mrs. Rainey, Miss Grace Rainey and the two sons complete the family.

THIRTY FAMILIES HELPED.

Christian Church Sunday School Makes Contributions.

Thirty families were aided through the contributions of the Christian Church Sunday School. Packages were made up from the donations of the various classes. The distribution made made yesterday and today.

Each of the bundles included flour, potatoes, apples, rice, toys and other articles, all of them useful. The men's class contributed 30 sacks of flour, the young men gave potatoes while the women made other presents.

Gone to Verona.

Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Kidd and daughter left this afternoon for Verona, where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Kidd's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Katz. Dr. Kidd will return Thursday, but Mrs. Kidd and daughter will remain until after New Years.

Is Still Ill.

There is no change in the condition of Mrs. William Minerd, who is ill at her home on Sixth street, West Side. Mrs. Minerd has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Miller, since the death of her husband.

PERSONAL.

Attorney and Mrs. F. E. Younkin went to Homestead this morning to spend Christmas with relatives.

A baby could tell you that if you want a reliable, perfect fitting suit or overcoat, you must order it from Dave Cohen, tailor.—Adv.

Mrs. Michael Donnelly and two children of Latrobe, are visiting Mrs. Donnelly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Clark, of Greenwood.

Go to Luteman's for your Candies. Prices range from $1.25 down to 10c per pound.—Adv.

Squire P. M. Buttermore was in Uniontown yesterday on business.

Kiferle will play for the select dance in the Armory, Christmas night.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Brennan and family of Fayette street, left last night for Chicago to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brennan.

Did you see those shawl collar chinchilla overcoats with belted backs? $15.00, $20.00 and $25.00. Stop at Wertheimer's.—Adv.

Mrs. T. H. Doorley and children of Marguerite are the guests of the former's parents, Superintendent and Mrs. P. J. Tormay.

Peanut brittle, broken taffy, grocers mix and exposition mix, only 10c a pound at Luteman's.—Adv.

Constable William Roland of Dunbar township was transacting business in Uniontown this morning.

Madam May at Wyman Hotel. Become successful in all matters.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Marshall and family are visiting relatives near Donora.

For Candles, Nuts, Pipes, Tobacco, and Cigars, all roads lead to Lute- and Ciganrs, all roads lead to Luteman's.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Patterson went to Brownsville this morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Green, a relative of Mrs. Patterson.

Lots of the very best overcoats in stock ready to put on; all the wanted styles. Shawl and convertible collar styles, browns, blues and grays, $10 to $25. See them at Wertheimer's.—Adv.

The Rev. T. M. Gladden of Dunbar was a Connellsville visitor this morning.

Shawl collar sweaters in navy, gray and maroon, $1.50, $3.50 and $5.00. See Wertheimer Bros.—Adv.

Mrs. J. W. Hankins and small son of Rowe's Run are here to spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Leiberger. Mr. Hankins will arrive tomorrow.

Kiferle will play for the select dance in the Armory Christmas night.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Connell arrived last evening from Pittsburg. They are visiting their son, Master Harvey Connell, 115 W. Fayette street.

For Fruits, all roads lead to Luteman's. Apples 35c peck; Malaga Grapes, 15c per pound; Oranges, 20c to 40c a dozen; Bananas, 15c and 20c a dozen.—Adv.

Harry White of New York, arrived here this morning to spend Christmas with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. White of West Peach street.

Men's fur caps in the Detroit shape, nice for a present; $2.00, $4.00 and $6.00 each. Wertheimer's.—Adv.

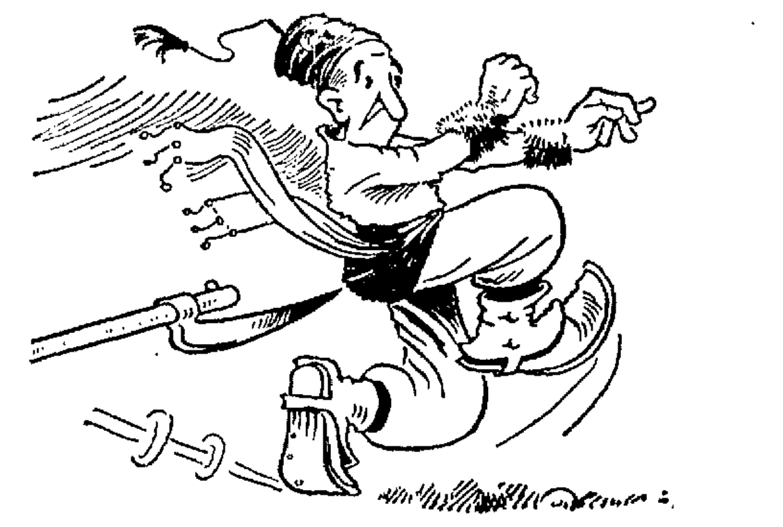
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thompson and children left today for Indiana, Pa., to spend Christmas with relatives.

W. P. Clark was a business visitor in Uniontown today.

Dr. O. S. Ferren was a Uniontown visitor last evening.

Scott Gives Turkeys.

Three large turkeys were received at the Cottage State hospital from W. R. Scott.



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SHIP IS AGROUND

Wheelsman Louses Course in Blinding Snow Off Atlantic City.

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 24.—Losing his course in a blinding snow storm, the wheelman of the United Fruit Company's liner Turrialba, ran the nose of the vessel on the shoals of Egg Harbor lights. The sea was running high at the time and the vessel soon was hard and fast in the sand. It was dangerously exposed.

Lifesavers from two stations are standing by. Wrecking tugs have been hurried from New York and are expected alongside the vessel by noon. Wireless reports from the vessel said that she was in little danger.

The steamer was one of the best of the United Fruit Company's fleet. She was enroute to New York from Costa Rica and it is reported that she had 60 passengers on board. The boat left Costa Rica December 19 and Captain Lindsay is reported to have been running at full speed to land in time for the passengers to reach their homes by Christmas.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS

"Girl from Rector's" and "The Devil" are Rival Attractions Here.

Playgoers have the choice of visiting the "Girl from Rector's" or going to "The Devil" tomorrow. These are the attractions at the two theatres. Manager Fred Robbins offers "The Girl from Rector's" on Christmas matinee and night. At the Colonial "The Devil" will appear twice on Christmas day, and also on the evening following.

Both of these attractions have appeared here in past seasons and are well known to playgoers.

DONATIONS MANY.

Churches are Contributing Generously for the Poor of Town.

Christmas gifts for the poor are being donated by members of nearly all the churches of town. Yesterday afternoon members of the First Presbyterian church left their donations at the church.

The gifts will be turned over to Captain and Mrs. J. J. Bamford of the Salvation Army who will see that they are distributed among only the poor and needy of Connellsville and nearby towns where destitute cases are reported.

GETS UMBRELLA.

Iron Works Employes Remember Manager Kelly.

After receiving turkeys as Christmas gifts, employes at the Connellsville Iron Works presented Superintendent W. E. Kelly with a gold-handled umbrella this morning.

Following the distribution of the turkeys, a collection was taken up among the workmen for the present to Superintendent Kelly. The plant will close for tomorrow.

XMAS SOUVENIRS.

Banks Issue Remembrances to Their Patrons.

The First National Bank is giving out memorandum books as Christmas remembrances. The books are neatly gotten up and make a useful gift.

The Second National Bank is giving out pocket mirrors with a picture of the bank building on the back.

Other banks are distributing souvenirs.

Pastor is Dead.

The Rev. W. J. Miller, D. D., pastor of the Zion Lutheran church in Greensburg for the past twelve years, died this morning following a stroke of paralysis suffered Monday, December 16.

Boys Discharged.

Samuel Wiant, Mays Cumberland and James Gillespie, the Everson boys arrested for throwing stones at a West Penn trolley car, paid costs to Justice of the Peace Lawrence Donegan and were discharged last evening.

Gift for Cartwright.

A. N. Cartwright, superintendent of power of the West Penn Railways Company, was presented by the employes of the power department with a handsome silk umbrella.

Takes New Place.

Edward Barnhart, in charge of the news stand at the Pennsylvania station for some time, has resigned to take charge of the news stand at the Baltimore & Ohio station.

Xmas Services at Everson.

The annual Christmas exercises of the Sunday school of the United Brethren church at Everson will be held tomorrow evening at 7.30 o'clock. All are invited.

"Foxy Santa."

A Christmas entertainment, "Foxy Santa," will be given Thursday evening in the First United Presbyterian church by the Sunday school.

A Baby Girl.

Councilman and Mrs. H. Claude Hays are receiving the congratulations of their many friends over the arrival of a little daughter.

Fire Destroys Plant.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Fire completely destroyed the plant of the Standard Glass Company early today. The loss is $350,000.

Licensed to Wed.

Peter A. Weyman and Mary N. Kelley, both of South Brownsville, were granted a marriage license in Pittsburg yesterday.

CHRISTMAS BELLS

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old familiar carols play,
And mild and sweet,
The words repeat,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom,
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.

Till ringing, singing, on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime,
A chant sublime,
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.
—H. W. Longfellow.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all

Sedersky & Rapport

How About Your Christmas?

Can you make your father, mother, brother or sister a suitable present? Can you buy for yourself what you would like? Do you earn what you would like to earn?

A course in Shorthand, Typewriting and Book-keeping has been a stepping-stone to a good position and a good salary for thousands.

It will do as much for you. There is no reason why you should spend years at a small salary when you can in a few months in this modern institution prepare yourself for independence.

This Christmas—why not get a scholarship in the Douglas Business College—which will help you to more money than any other one thing you could do.

Better find out just what it will cost. Drop us a postal today. Day and Evening Sessions.

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IF THIS IS YOUR BIRTHDAY

Look after all your interests and see that the details are in the best possible order, for some temporary illness or enforced absence threatens. If you are employed, do nothing that would appear in a wrong light to your employer.

Those born today will have rather a narrow outlook on life, and, therefore, will succeed only in a small way. To offset this, their education should be broad. They should learn the facts bearing on all sides of vital questions and be encouraged to form their own ideas. To force the opinions and prejudices of others no matter how well-meaning, will surely close their minds to real intelligence.

KIDNEYS CLOGGED?

Ames Kidney Pills Will Drive Out All Impurities or Money Back.

Perhaps you don't know it but the chances are ten to one that your kidneys need cleaning.

Then why take any chances? Get a box of Ames Kidney Pills today. If your kidneys need renovating these pills will surely do the work; if they do not need renovating Ames Kidney Pills can do you no harm, but on the other hand will act on the blood and build you up.

Backache, sideache, sharp shooting pains, all kidney, bladder and stomach trouble quickly pass away when Ames Kidney Pills are used.

They are guaranteed by A. A. Clark and the priceis only 50 cents a box Ames Chemical Co., Corry, Pa.—Advertisement. 2

Boys are Freed.

Three boys arrested Saturday night for throwing stones at a West Penn trolley car near Everson and placed in the lockup here, were liberated last night upon an agreement with West Penn officers.

Jaques Christmas Reception.

Will be held Christmas night in Markell Hall. Santa Claus will be there to see every one. Dancing 8.30 until 12. No class Thursday evening.—Adv.

Patronize those who advertise.

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The News of Nearby Towns.

SMITHFIELD.

SMITHFIELD, Dec. 23.—Mrs. David Evans of Hyndman was visiting Mrs. J. B. Kerns at the week's end.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abraham Wednesday, December 18, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs Jerry Larmon of Hunters' Mill, were Saturday shoppers here.

J. W. Weaver and daughter, Lillian, were attending the funeral of Mrs. George Gans at Uniontown Friday.

Mrs. Charles Miller, Mrs J. W. Abraham, Mrs. D. H. Baer, Mrs. J. R. ance, Miss Mary Wise, Mrs. C. O. Bosley were among the Uniontown shoppers from Smithfield Friday.

Omer Sutton and Charles Costello, B. & O. conductors, were Uniontown business visitors Friday.

The King's Daughters of the M. E. Sunday School will hold a festival in the Town Hall on the evenings of the 24th and 25th.

The Tri-State Telephone Company is putting in a new switchboard in the Smithfield exchange.

J. H. Stewart of Nicholson township, was a borough visitor Saturday.

Dr Lloyd Huhn and wife of Chicago, arrived here Saturday evening to spend the holidays with their parents and numerous friends.

James Montieth and wife of Phillips works, were here for the funeral of J. W. Showalter which took place Sunday from the Baptist Church at 11 o'clock. The funeral was largely attended, many coming from a distance to pay tribute to this upright citizen and father of the community. The Rev. W. M. Ryan, pastor of the Baptist Church, assisted by the Rev. G. A. Fulcher of the Presbyterian Church and the Rev. J. F. Pipner of the M. E. Church conducted the ceremonies. The greater part of the large congregation followed the remains to the Pleasant View I. O. O. F. Cemetery where they were interred in the family plot. The active pall bearers were: F. L. Downey, G. A. Feather, T. O. Wise, R. S. Burchinal, W. L. Stewart, W. R. Abraham, and the honorary pall bearers were John Bear, Sr., H. F. Smith, Ross Gaskill, J. M. L. Low, H. C. Huhn and H. O'Neal. All of the surviving members of the family and many of his grandchildren were present. Omert, a grandson of Fairmont and other members of his family came down on the B. & O. in a special car.

The Grim Reaper exacted a heavy toll from this community in the week just past. Funeral Director J. R. Vance had seven funerals from the 17th to the 22nd of December, six of them being dead at once. The first, D. B. Swaney interred at Fairchance on Dec. 17. He was aged 69 years. Second, Frank Porter, interred in [illegible] Cemetery, West Virginia, Dec. 19, aged 77 years. Third, Benjamin Wood, I. O. O. F. Cemetery, Dec. 19, aged 28 years. Fourth, Mrs. Isaac Conn, interred Dec. 20th at Stewartstown, W. Va., aged 63 years. Fifth, Ralph Pyles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pyles, interred in the Baptist Cemetery, Smithfield, Dec. 20th, aged four years. Sixth, DeBolt Conn, interred in Baptist Cemetery, Smithfield, Dec. 21, aged 24 years, and last J. W. Showalter, died Dec. 19 and interred in I. O. O. F. Cemetery, Smithfield, Dec. 22, aged 91 years, one month and 11 days.

Dr. A. P. Abraham of Brownsville, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Dr. A. C. Howard and wife of Uniontown were guests of the doctor's parents here Sunday.

Ray Nixon and wife of Fairchance, visited Mrs. Nixon's parents here G. A. Wheeler and wife Sunday.

W. T. Kennedy of Uniontown attended the Showalter funeral Sunday.

What was reported to be a case of diphtheria in Dr. Messmore's family and caused parents of small children and others a great deal of anxiety, the doctor assures the writer is only a case of tonsilitis. To satisfy himself of this the doctor sent a swab that he used on the throat of the child to Pittsburg for analysis. He received a report back that there was no indications of diphteria or scarletina developed in the analysis.

Lloyd Stewart of Donora, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mrs. L. B. Brownfield and son Ralph of Uniontown, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sutton.

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Leads in Phosphate.

Florida is the leading State of the Union in the production of phosphate rock, according to the United States Geological Survey. In 1911 the phosphate product was valued at $9,473,832, compared with $5,647,774 in 1910.

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PLEASING LINE AND COLOR.

Mole grey sponge cloth, which has lost none of its popularity, is the material employed in this dress. For trimming was used a figured moire, bearing a design of brilliant yellow flowers, with foliage on the ground matching the grey.

The decorative buttonholes and sash end are of black satin and fancy amber buttons are set on both waist and skirt.

MEYERSDALE.

MEYERSDALE, Dec. 24.—Dr. M. B. Milne left yesterday for Kingston, Canada, to spend Christmas with his parents.

Mrs. M. Hurley of Connellsville, arrived here last evening and will remain over Christmas as the guest of her mother, Mrs. Anna Weber of High street.

P. P. Keyser of Cumberland, Md is the guest of friends here.

A farewell banquet was tendered J. S. Graves at the auditorium last night. About 200 were present. Mr. Graves' family left Saturday for Chicago, where he will join them on Christmas Day. They will visit for a short time at the home of Mrs. Graves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Yorty, when they will leave for their future home, Los Angeles.

Special Christmas services will be held in SS. Phillip and James Catholic Church at 5 o'clock tomorrow morning. Special singing and music by an orchestra. Upon this occasion the new pipe organ, installed during the week, will be used.

The two Meyersdale woman, Mrs. Joseph Shelbear and Mrs. George Hittle, who went down to Cumberland last week and were operated upon at Allegany Hospital, are reported getting along as nicely as can be expected.

DUNBAR.

DUNBAR, Dec. 24.—Mrs. F. J. McFarland and two children were shopping in Connellsville Monday evening.

Fine line of high grade box and loose candy and fruits and Xmas trees at Isaac M. Nephew's.—Adv.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Scott, a baby girl.

Colonial theatre, Dunbar, Christmas Eve, "Nell of the Circus;" Christmas Night, "Deadwood Dick." Three reel features. Admission 5 and 10 cents.—Advertisement.

Miss Lizzie Ferren spent Monday in Connellsville, shopping.

Miss Della McFarland, who is a teacher of music in Elkin, W. Va., public schools, is spending her Christmas vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob McFarland of Connellsville street.

Mrs. Samuel Moyer was shopping in Connellsville on Monday evening.

Miss Katherine Kerwin spent Monday in Connellsville calling on friends.

George Wishart was a business caller in Connellsville on Monday.

Patrick Tague and daughter, Miss Sallie, and son, John, left today for Canton, O., where they will spend Christmas.

Miss Margaret Brady of the Furnace was shopping in Connellsville on Monday.

Chalmar Bryson, who is a student in the Case School of Applied Science, Cleveland, O., is spending his Christmas vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Bryson.

Mrs. Sallie Bryson was shopping in Connellsville today.

Mrs. Harry Williams spent Tuesday in Connellsville calling on friends.

Miss Rose Condron of the Furnace, was shopping in Connellsville today.

Mr. Lingerfield of Scottdale, spent Sunday here calling on friends.

Mrs. Mildred Young and Miss Florence McQuiggan were shopping in Connellsville on Monday evening.

Miss Hazel Lingerfield of Scottdale, was here on Sunday the guest of Mrs. Louis McQuiggin.

Roy Kimball left Sunday evening for Harrisburg, where he will accept a position in the office of the Auditor General of Pennsylvania.

Anthony Gilmore was a business caller in Connellsville on Monday evening.

Misses Mabel and Florence Kimball returned home today from the Woman's College, Frederick, Md., to spend the holiday vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Kimball.

CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, Dec. 24.—Mrs S. M. James and daughter, Grace, of Connellsville are the guests of the former's daughter, Mrs C. E. Black, in West Confluence.

Miss Grace Stark spent Sunday as the guest of Miss Pauline Murphy, near [illegible].

Fleming Hostetler of Morgantown is spending a couple of weeks visiting his father, H. L. Hostetler.

Charles Fields of Dawson spent Sunday and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs David Fields.

Mrs. Reeves Hill of near Martinsburg, W. Va., is spending a week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Black.

Ellis Largent of Addison was a visitor in town Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reybeck of Jefferson county are visiting the former's brother, Samuel and Lymen Reybeck, and families.

Mrs. J. H. Alexander and son, John, spent Sunday with her husband, who is a patient at the Mercy Hospital, Pittsburg.

Mrs. Hampton Augustine of Addison was the guest of Miss Ida Bird Saturday and Sunday. She left Sunday evening for Pittsburg, where she will spend Christmas with her son, Willis Augustine, and family. She will stay there until Thursday, when she will join Miss Minnie Augustine and leave for a two-months' visit with friends in Louisiana.

Mrs. Bruce Trutle and daughter, Grace, of Connellsville, spent Sunday and Monday with friends in town.

Mrs. E. L. Beggs and daughter, Frances, of Connellsville, arrived in town yesterday and will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Beggs.

Miss Irene King went to Scottdale Sunday, where she will spend Christmas as the guest of relatives.

Mrs. Hampton Augustine of Addison was the guest of her niece, Mrs. Benjamin Brown, at 12 o'clock dinner Sunday.

John Black of Dickerson Run spent Sunday with his father, A. G. Black.

Mrs. Calhoun of Fort Hill was in town shopping yesterday.

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Dressers,
Chiffonieres,
Beds,
Stoves and Ranges,
Dinner Sets,
Childs' Rockers,
Dressing Tables,
Dining Tables,
Sewing Tables,
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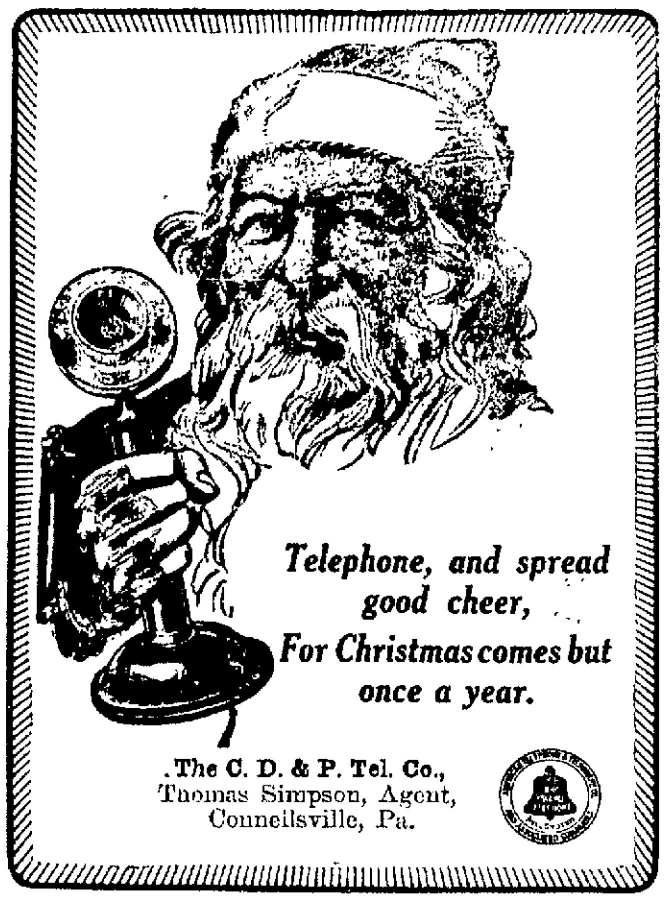

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TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 24, 1912.

THE SHORT BALLOT.

To uninformed people the Short Ballot proposition sounds like a Real Reform because it promises relief from the unwieldy blanket ballot inseparably connected with our elaborate primary and general election laws, which in the name of the People have done more to defeat their will than any other agency in recent years.

The Short Ballot undoubtedly improves this condition, but at the cost of much that is representative in government. The Short Ballot contemplates centralized power such as the distorted vision of Democracy's ghastliest nightmare never contemplated. It means management by the few; it is the anithesis of democratic rule; it is autocratic government.

It is true that the Councilmen, or Commissioners, or other governing officers however named, who appoint and control practically all other administrative officers, are chosen by the People; but so are all officers now chosen; and if the politicians can dominate the selection of many officials, why cannot they more readily control the election of a few?

The Short Ballot is a Progressive measure having its initiative in the very Progressive State of California, wherein Republicans were Progressed off the ballot last November, yet the Short Ballot proposes to establish by law a political system the alleged existence of which on suffrage was the chief excuse for the Progressive movement. It designs in effect to give legal status to a Political Syndicate. It offers up Open Bossism.

This particular Progressive Reform seems to be one of the kind that Circles the Square.

In the death of Edward Campbell, soldier and jurist, colonel and judge, the Fayette county bar has lost an able member and the Fayette county people an estimable citizen. He was the soul of chivalry and the pink of courtesy, a gentleman of the old school with many friends and few enemies; and his death will be sincerely mourned by all. At his request there will be no flowers, but the charm of his manner will linger long in memory.

The self-appointed Only and Official Organ of the Fayette County Democracy is beginning to believe its own story. It is taking itself quite seriously. It is becoming much impressed with itself. It has a monopoly of the impression and the people have a monopoly of the joke.

It will be a White Christmas after all.

The open grate is still claiming its toll of death. Aside from the humanitarian view, considered in the light of cold and calculating commercialism, fenders are cheaper than funerals. Why will people prefer the latter?

Christmas turkeys are being handed around liberally in Connellsville.

Doctor Wilson and Doctor Bryan discussed the affairs of the nation, but they deny that Doctor Bryan's name was mentioned in connection with the Cabinet. Certainly not, they talked of Mexican affairs, not Nebraska affairs.

The Christmas spirit will lighten the sufferings and the tedium of the Connellsville hospital patients.

Senator Oliver's Pittsburg Gazette Times has discovered that Reformer Bill Flinn is a Malefic Influence in Pennsylvania politics. We have always suspected that the Flinn halo was a mechanical device, but we never thought it radiated Malefic Influence. However it's mighty hard to tell about these subway politicians and their underground methods.

It is a little unusual for the owner of undeveloped coal to guarantee the thickness of the vein, but many holders of the Pittsburg or Connellsville coal seams would run no risk in doing so.

The President-elect is a Virginian by birth. He came by his politics honestly.

Some parts of Connellsville give a private coal mine with every lot.

The air gun is still threatening assassination in South Connellsville.

Connellsville has contributed a worthy representative to the National Bureau of Education.

The Alaskan coal expedition has returned in light marching order, having lost most of its baggage; but it comes back laden with information more valuable than dunnage.

Connellsville is not without the Christmas spirit. It gives Mount Pleasant ten perfectly good families to help boost the hill town's population, all this with the aid and consent of the B. & O.

The State Factory Inspector is charged with something yet unknown. It is not the first time he has been under fire. He is something of a veteran.

The B. & O. Christmas stocking will contain a perfectly good new Sand Patch tunnel.

The Viceroy of India got a bomb reception at Delhi.

The Government seems determined to open up railroad competition in New England if it has to put the railroad managers in jail.

The Canonsburg Notes thinks this is the time to build good roads, "while the bulk of the coal is still in the hands of the coal combine." The existence of a Washington county coal combine is a rather startling discovery in a Progressive county. Wire the news to Attorney General Wickersham.

Somerset town is threatened with competition in its light affairs and the authorities are much inclined to take the matter seriously.

The Indian Creek coal region is paralyzed. Three miners are on a strike. But the troops will not be called out, nor will martial law be declared.

Merry Christmas to all our friends and patrons!

Looking Backward.

News of the Past Condensed from the Files of The Courier.

Friday, December 22, 1882.

Scarcity of cars exist, and coke men sell product at $1.15 per ton.

J. Reed Torrence purchases Ritenour coal land near Scottdale for McClure & Company. Price paid, $1,000 per acre.

Meyersdale mines running briskly with many orders and plenty of cars, begins shipments from mines.

Southwest postoffice established at Hecla coke plant.

George Chambers and Miss Higgins of Port Royal get State land warrants for coal under 250 acres of river bed there.

Trotter works running full despite car scarcity.

Millwood works near Latrobe makes new contract and runs full time.

Canonsburg rolling mill nearly completed.

Morrel branch opened and 25 cars of coke shipped daily from Morrell to Cambria Iron Company.

North Chicago Rolling Mill contracts for 50 cars of Connellsville coke daily.

Latrobe gets gas for lighting.

Meyersdale and Salisbury telephone line built.

Facing foundry destroyed by fire in Mt. Pleasant to be rebuilt.

Westmoreland county sends 495 teachers to Greensburg institute.

Pipes from Murraysville gas fields Westmoreland country, laid to near Pittsburg.

Special express cars carrying oysters only pass through Connellsville from Baltimore to Pittsburg.

Ligonier Valley Railroad Company places two new engines on line.

Mail hauled from station to postoffice by three goats.

Creeks frozen and white Christmas promised.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1892.

Connellsville coke region report for week ending December 17, shows 13,221 ovens in, 4,025 out, and 119,995 tons estimated output, a decrease of 4,203 tons from previous week. Shipments aggregated 7,349 cars, decrease of 79 from preceding week. Active ovens averaged 5.18 days against 5.29 days in prior week.

Coke prices as follows: Furnace, $2.50; foundry, $3; crushed, $3.35.

Upper Monongahela region report for week ending December 10, shows 515 ovens in, 160 out, and 4,119 tons production.

Upper Potomac region report for week ending December 17, shows 321 ovens in, 93 out and 3,018 tons output.

Mining Institute organized in Uniontown with following officers: President, Mine Inspector Duncan; Vice President George C Marshall; Secretary, George Whyte; Treasurer, Bernard Callahan.

Two big air compressors put in operation by H. C. Frick Coke Company at Oliphant and Mammoth.

Westmoreland Coal Company of Cleveland with options on 10,000 acres of coal in Rostraver township alleged bogus concern.

County Commissioners of Somerset direct property of South Penn Railroad Company be returned as unseated lands and sold to recover about $2,500 taxes.

Free bridge agitation may result in another bridge across Yough river in Connellsville.

American Express Company inaugurates free delivery in Connellsville.

Test of new fuel gas by Manufacturers Gas Supply Company of Greensburg proves success.

Mrs Hannah Bryner of Stewart township has third set of teeth at 70th birthday.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1902.

United States Steel Corporation and H. C. Frick Coke Company present average increase of 8 per cent. in wages as Christmas gift to 20,000 employes in Connellsville region. New scale effective January 1 and to be adopted by all other operators, affecting 32,000 men. Rates for mining will be highest in world. Miners will be able to make $5 per day.

Connellsville coke region report for week ending December 20, shows 21,312 ovens in, 618 out, 238,668 tons estimated output, decrease of 3,500 tons from preceding week. Shipments, 9,467 cars, decrease of 243 from prior week.

Lower Connellsville region report shows 4,045 ovens in, 321 out, 48,740 tons estimated output, decrease of 610 from past week. Shipments, 1,322 cars.

Coke grows scarcer and demand increases. Plants lay off one day and yards stocked through lack of cars. Railroads need motive power.

Connellsville foundry coke sells in Chicago at $10 and $10.50 per ton on track. Contracts placed elsewhere for year at $4.50 and $5 per ton. Furnace coke at $4 and upwards.

Freight rates on coke shipments from Connellsville to western points to be advanced from 5 to 10 per cent, January 1.

Central Connellsville Coke Company begins erection of two plants of 150 and 400 ovens at New Salem.

Republic Coke Company to erect 500 ovens in Lower Connellsville region.

United States Steel Corporation to complete railroad from near Buffington to near Donora.

Sligo Iron and Steel Company elects: President, Charles Davidson; Vice President James M. Reid; Secretary and Manager, Joseph McConnell; Treasurer, Eugene T. Norton; Directors, James M. Bailey, Cyrus Echard, Joseph Madigan. Ten per cent of $250,000 capital stock paid. First carload of machinery received.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

One Cent a Word.

No Advertisement for Less Than 15 Cents.

Wanted.

WANTED—YOU TO ADVERTISE IN our classified columns.

WANTED—A CHAMBERMAID. Inquire BALTIMORE HOUSE. 5decttd

WANTED—YOU TO KNOW LUTEMAN'S prices on pipes and cigars can't be beat. 21dectfd

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL housework, 223 S. NINTH STREET, West Side. 23dectfd

WANTED—COAL MINERS. APPLY PEERLESS CONNELLSVILLE COKE CO., Alverton, Pa. 9novtfd

WANTED—AT THE OLIVER COKE plants Nos. 1, 2, 3, coal miners and coke drawers. Apply to foreman of the respective plants. 3maytfd

WANTED—A HOUSEKEEPER, BETWEEN 30 and 50 years. One who can milk cows and do all kinds of housework. HIRAM RICHTER, Snydertown. 23dec3td*

WANTED — CARPENTERS AND carpenters' helpers, also steam drill runners and helpers. Good wages and a long job. Apply to the " A. GILLESPIE CO., Cheat Haven, Pa. 13dec1mo-d

WANTED—FIRST CLASS BLACKSMITH, one accustomed to machine and boiler shop practice. Must be industrious and willing to work. Apply in person, CONNELLSVILLE IRON WORKS, West Side. 20dec6td

For Rent.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS, 211 E. MAIN STREET. 24dec6td

FOR RENT—HOUSES. J. A. MASON, Second National Bank building. 8octtf

FOR RENT—APARTMENTS WITH every convenience. ROBINSON AND COUGHANOUR. 15novtfd

FOR RENT—ONE FIVE-ROOM house with bath. Water rent paid. C. W. HAYS, 118 S. Prospect street. 20dectfd

FOR RENT—7-ROOM HOUSE, WITH bath, East Fayette street, $20; 5-room house on York avenue. Inquire KAIL'S BANK. 12noveodtf

FOR RENT—SEVEN ROOM HOUSE with hot and cold water, natural gas and electric light. South Connellsville. Inquire MRS. ANNA HUMBERT. 2dectfo

For Sale.

FOR SALE—HOUSE AND LARGE lot worth $2,500, for $1,800. Ask CHARLES EVANS. 19dec5td

FOR SALE—FLORIDA MAGAZINE house heating boiler, good as new. F. T. EVANS, Connellsville, Pa. 15novtfd

FOR SALE—SOUTH CONNELLSVILLE lots. Convenient, cheap, easy terms. Inquire at THE COURIER OFFICE.

FOR SALE—ONE SIX ROOM HOUSE on Green street; bath and pantry, cemented cellar, hot air heat, gas, electric light. Purchaser can arrange for payments. KEYSTONE PLANING MILL CO., 701 Second National Bank Bldg. 19dec8td

FOR SALE—SMALL BRICK HOUSE and lot on First street in South Connellsville; four rooms; finished cellar; natural gas, city water and electric light. One block from the street car line. South end of brick row. Price $1,000 cash. H. P. SNYDER, The Courier Building, Connellsville, Pa.

FOR SALE—REBUILT AUTOMOBILES 1 Chalmers "30" Torpedo, $750; 1 Chalmers "40" 5-passenger touring car, $500; 1 Chalmers "30" 5-passenger touring car, $350; 1 E. M. F. "30" 5-passenger touring car, $300; 1 Kline Meator 50 H. P. at $750; 1 Stoddard Dayton 4-passenger, $250; 1 Buick 1909 model, $200. These cars are fully equipped, have been rebuilt and are guaranteed to be in first class running condition. Call or address KEYSTONE AUTO CO., Uniontown, Pa. 16deceodtf

Personal.

MADAM MAY AT WYMAN HOTEL. Become successful business. Marriage Call early. Price 50c. 23dec3td*

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF ISAAC COLBERT, late of Dunbar township, Fayette county, Penna., deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Isaac Colbert, deceased, have been taken out by the undersigned, and that all persons indebted to the estate of the said Isaac Colbert shall make immediate settlement to the undersigned administrator. JOSEPH N. COLBERT, Administrator, Dickerson Run, Pa.

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Clerk's Notice in Bankruptcy.

No. 6067 In Bankruptcy.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania, George William Sellers, Jr., of Fayette county, Pennsylvania, a Bankrupt under the Act of Congress of July 1, 1898, having applied for a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said Act, notice is hereby given to all known creditors and other persons in interest, to appear before the said Court at Pittsburg, in said District, on the 30th day of January, 1913, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. WILLIAM T. LINDSEY, Clerk.

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Charter Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, January 14, 1913, by E. T. Norton, Robert Norris, W. D. McGinnis, John D. Frisbee, J. L. Kendall, W. F. Stauffer, E. C. Higbee, H. M. Kephart, Joseph Soisson, H. C. Hoffman, W. F. Soisson, S. J. Harry, E. R. Floto and T. J. Hooper under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called YOUGH TRUST COMPANY, the character and object of which is engaging in and carrying on the business of the insurance of owners of real estate, mortgages and others, interested in real estate, from loss by reason of defective titles, liens and encumbrances, and for this purpose to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly, and its supplements. S. R. GOLDSMITH, STERLING, HIGBEE & MATTHEWS, Solicitors. dec24-31jan7

CHRISTMAS NOW ON

For buyers of good judgment, who devote a share of their Christmas appropriation to the practical side of gift buying, we are showing a splendid line of Christmas Footwear.

A FEW SUGGESTIONS:

For Men.	For Women.	For Children.
We've Walk-Overs and Bannister Shoes for dress, Slippers, Everetts and Romeos, Indian Moccasins, Arctics, Leggings, Sheep Skin, etc.	Queen Quality and Zeigler Bros. Shoes. Evening Slippers, Bed Room Slippers, in all colors; Indian Moccasins, High Top Shoes, Leggings, Slipper Soles, etc.	School and Dress Shoes, High Top Shoes, Rubber Boots and Leggings, House Slippers, Baby Shoes in all colors; Felt Slippers in red, blue, etc.

ONLY A FEW DAYS LEFT

If you make up your mind to buy sensible gifts and at the same time please the receiver, let us furnish you with footwear—you will need a special size, so come early.

Down's Shoe Store

Christmas Morning

Oh! Just what I wanted! Isn't it a dream, and from Kurtz's, too.

I KNOW IT IS GOOD.

Diamond Rings	$10, $20, $30, $40, $50 up
Watches	$5, $10, $15, $20, $25, $30 up
La Vallieres	$2, $4, $5, $8, $10, $15, $20 up
Birth Stone and Fancy Rings	$2, $4, $5 up
Locket and Chain	$2, $4, $5, $7, $10 up
Gold Bracelets	$2, $4, $5, $6, $10 up
Link Buttons	$1, $2, $4, $5 up
Stick Pins	$1, $2, $3, $5, $10 up
Watch Fobs	$3, $5, $7, $10 up

Bar Pins in Pearls, Sapphires and Diamonds

NO CHARGE FOR ENGRAVING.

A. B. KURTZ,

Diamonds. Fine Jewelry.

WHY NOT GIVE SHOES

Aren't they useful, yes, and ornamental? Wouldn't an extra pair for dress occasions or a pair for general purposes be alright; they are a necessity every so often, if not wanted now they will be soon.

Sister, Mother, Daughter, would be delighted to get a pair of those snappy, graceful, **Armstrong** or **Dorothy Dodd Shoes**. They are the recognized style leaders here.

HOOPER & LONG,

Slippers for Men, Women and Children.

104 West Main Street.

BAKERY

Don't fail to stop in at Hoffman's Bakery, 145 W. Main street (formerly Renner's), when buying Bread, Cakes, Pies or Doughnuts. Orders for wedding cakes and parties promptly filled. Don't forget to buy your Christmas cakes from Hoffman's and you will enjoy your Christmas dinner.

HOFFMAN'S

Patronize your home industries. When shopping down town stop at Hoffman's for a hot cup of good coffee. We serve sandwiches, cakes and pies. We wish you a Merry Xmas.

Confectionery

Christmas Eve At Dunn's Store

Almost, if not quite 40 years this store has seen Christmas come and go in Connellsville. On the night before Christmas we expect to see you in the store, not just to buy something, but to join the crowd that comes and goes, to meet friends and wish them the season's greeting. This is a regular custom with a good many. Some faces that we count on seeing just as sure as Christmas comes around. To us and to some it would hardly seem like Christmas without seeing one another just for a moment at least on that night. Lots of people seem to get the real Christmas spirit after a few moments in this store on that evening. Then we ask you to come out on that evening, join the crowd of happy rushing people, get the spirit yourself, you will run across friends that you have not met for some time, see faces that probably have slipped out of your memory, and you will go home all the more ready for a happy Christmas the next day. No matter how many bundles you may have to carry, you will find nearly every body has just about as many bundles as you do.

E. DUNN

N. PITTSBURG St. CONNELLSVILLE

HAVE YOUR PRINTING DONE AT THIS OFFICE.

Holiday Attire

Christmas Gifts

UNION SUPPLY COMPANY

Christmas shopping has made a big rush at all the Union Supply Company stores, and we made big preparations months and months ago for this demand. We want everybody to see our great lines of Christmas goods, toys, dolls and other play things for the children. They are very complete lines and the prices are very low. Toys, books, games, dolls, hobby horses, steam engines, electric engines, fire engines, etc. We cannot attempt to name or describe them, but we want you to see them. They are being carried off daily in large quantities. Then there are other lines for the children, gloves, neckwear, caps, and all sorts of raiment for the boys. For the men great lines of handkerchiefs, neckwear, suspenders, in individual boxes, put up nicely so you can mail them for Christmas presents. There are all sorts of toilet sets, manicure sets, smoking sets, and lines of furnishing goods; novelties and staples; all new; latest design, and we know that our prices cannot be excelled.

Santa Claus Has Filled Our Stores With Beautiful Things Suitable for Christmas Gifts For Women, Misses and Children.

It would be hard to specify the entire lines, but we will mention just a few. They are plain and initial handkerchiefs, beautiful things in neckwear, scarfs, headwear, etc. All sorts of shirt waists, skirts, dresses, suits, all sort of shoes, tan, black, patent leather, etc. Many nice things put up in the way of handkerchiefs, and other furnishings in boxes; very tasty for Christmas presents. There is no occasion for people in the coke region going to town to buy Christmas gifts. You can buy them at our stores to better advantage; we have better variety; better prices; better goods. In fact lots of the town people come to our stores to buy their Christmas presents.

Christmas Preparations in Our Grocery and Meat Departments.

There are the most complete lines of special goods for Christmas for the meat department you will find in the markets. Of course we always carry special things, but the Christmas holiday trade we have a little greater variety. In the groceries, we have all the fancy groceries; all the best things in fruits and nuts, and our meat markets are filled up with special sausages, dressed turkeys, dressed chickens, dressed ducks, etc. The freshness of our stocks; the completeness of our stocks and the promptness in delivering, and fairness in price, are all to your advantage, as well as ours. We solicit your Christmas business.

UNION SUPPLY CO.

63 LARGE DEPARTMENT STORES,

Located in Fayette, Westmoreland & Allegheny Cos.

KEEP OFF FIELD FOR SOCCER GAME CHRISTMAS DAY

Team Coming to Scottdale Asks This After Jeannette's Treatment.

SCOTTDALE WILL DRAW CROWD

Farmers Getting Fodder Shredded and Machine Operators Are Covering Threshing Losses Up Early in the Season; Other Notes of News.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 24.—The Herminie Soccer team will be the Christmas Day attraction pitted against the Scottdale Soccer Association team at Loucks park at 3.30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The Herminie team received bad treatment from the spectators and referee at Jeannette and have asked the Scottdale team to keep the spectators off the field. This will be ever found with Scottdale crowds at of the sport to show themselves able to restrain themselves from getting on the field and crowding the opposing team. This has been the only fault ever found with Scottdale crowds at any game at Loucks park, visiting teams never complaining of any unfair or ill treatment, but it is notorious that, for some reason or other, the spectators love to crowd in. Many who have attended games here and have been in the rear complain that they have no view of the field whatever on account of those up in front shutting off the view by pushing in on the field. Besides spoiling the view for many, the practice is one that seriously interferes with the sport, and while not intended to work discomfiture to the teams it has that effect anyway.

The Herminie team's request that spectators all respect the side lines is a fair request and should be complied with. This will undoubtedly be one of the finest games of the season. Business men have, heretofore, had no chance to see a good game of soccer and the locals cancelled a game away from home for the benefit of the business men of town, and there will be a large crowd out.

CHRISTMAS SNOW.

According to "the newspapers calling for snow," as the farmers say yesterday, some of the beautiful came down over the country Monday night, whitening the ground for Christmas time, and making many a boy happy who expects a sled this year. It relieved parents of some dread, too, for fear that sleds to be given on Christmas day might of necessity be demanded right of way over the carpets since there was no snow. The snow was well received and several inches deep assures sleighing.

FODDER SHREDDING.

Many of the farmers in this locality are having their fodder shredded this season, and those owning machines for this work are doing better with them than they did with their threshing machines. The threshers had a very poor season of it from several standpoints. Among the serious ones was the poor crops and in many instances total loss of wheat and oats through the long wet summer, when so much grain rotted. Much of what was put through the threshers was unfit for use, other than chicken feeding. The washed conditions of roads and lanes made it difficult for threshers to haul their heavy machines around. The corn crop, however, was a good one and the weather was such that the fodder is in excellent condition, and the fodder shredders have been lively storing the mows full of fodder torn up and in good shape to feed without waste.

SATURDAY CLUB.

The next meeting of the Saturday Afternoon Club, composed of Scottdale and Mt. Pleasant ladies, will be held at the home of Mrs. George W. Stoner of Mt. Pleasant on Saturday afternoon, January 4.

TREATS TOMORROW.

A number of the churches will give their treats out on Christmas morning and in consequence the youngsters will be out getting fresh air at an early time on Christmas morning.

ELKS DONATION.

The Elks gave away a goodly number of baskets filled with eatables, flour and a chicken each to needy families of town today.

NOTES.

John L. Townsend of Perryopolis, is visiting at his relatives, Dr. and Mrs A. W. Strickler and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wray.

John C. Werner, a teacher in the High School, is spending the Christmas holidays at his home in Meyersdale.

Miss Viola Simpson of the High School teaching force, is enjoying the holidays at her home in Indiana, Pa.

Miss Rhodes, a student at the California State Normal School, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rhoades.

Norwin L. Kerr, a student of medicine at Baltimore, Md., is here for the holidays and at his old place in Brooks' drug store.

George Myers, a student at Pittsburg, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Myers at Manns Choice.

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Brungart of Columbus, O., are here for a few days visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Walter.

MT. PLEASANT.

MT. PLEASANT, Dec. 24.—John Bolinger left yesterday to spend a week with his mother, Mrs. Bolinger at Fairmont, W. Va.

H. S. Foust was a caller in Pittsburg, yesterday.

The stork left a daughter at the Braddock Road avenue home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mullin yesterday.

The stork left a son yesterday at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. William Reed, just south of town yesterday.

Mrs. Otis Horrer and family have gone to Buffalo, N. Y., to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. Horrer.

Mrs. James Sayre Huey of Pittsburg, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Fulton.

Miss Florence Bells of Brownsville, is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. McWilliams.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leonard, Jr., of Vandergrift, are the guests of friends here.

G. M. Gibson, a teacher in the local High School, has sent his resignation to the school board and left for his Pyle home. Mr. Gibson was forced to resign on account of his eyesight, as he fears he will go blind in his left eye. Mr Gibson is under the care of a Philadelphia eye specialist. The resignation will be accepted at the regular monthly meeting of the board on Monday, January 6. Prof. C. L. Gordy has gone to Harrisburg, to look after a new teacher, who will be here next Monday to take charge of the school taught by Mr. Gibson.

Scott Lane, Robert Rhodes, Thomas Fitzgerald and Carl Miller, students at Allegheny College Meadville, are home for their vacation.

Mrs. Flora Lane and son Scott and Miss Anna McVeigh attended an elegantly appointed turkey diner given by Mr. and Mrs William Brinkley at their Youngwood home on Sunday. Covers were laid for 22, other guests being present from Scottdale and Connellsville.

The local W. C. T. U. will hold a press social at the College avenue home of Mrs. Smith Shaw on Friday evening, January 3. Each person who comes is requested to bring a short clipping from some paper or magazine and either read it or have it read.

Rudolph Onun, a foreigner, went into the Pennsylvania depot at Tarrs yesterday and wanted to ask about some household goods. Instead of going to the window to transact his business he wanted into the room where the agent was. After trying to reason with Onun that he must transact his business at the window or go out Fred McIntyre, the agent, was forced to put him out. Onun called up the State Police and had them come to Tarrs and get McIntyre and bring him before Justice of the Peace J. W. Hunter. After a hearing Onun was made to pay the costs.

DICKERSON RUN.

DICKERSON RUN, Dec. 24.—Conductor Robert Brown spent Sunday visiting his family at McKees Rocks.

James Beatty has returned home after a few days very pleasantly spent with friends at Pittsburg.

Mrs. J. H. Ghrist and Mrs. Wilbur Shallenberger were shopping and calling on Connellsville friends yesterday.

Auction sale of high class jewelry now on at Springer's, Dawson.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward O'Brien were shopping in Pittsburg Saturday.

John Landymore spent Sunday visiting relatives and friends at West Newton.

Miss Ruth Danley of McKeesport, is spending a few days here the guest of relatives and friends.

Go to the auction sale of high class jewelry at Springer's, Dawson.—Adv.

A few evenings ago thieves entered the home of Conductor J. C. Jacobs and had the house pretty well ransacked before they were heard and made their getaway. Everything on the ground floor was tore upside down and burned matches strewn about over the floor but they had their labors for nothing as no valuables are kept about the house.

Wants Basketball Game.

The Junior Basketball Club of Fayette City has booked as an attraction for Christmas afternoon the Connellsville Y. M. C. A. Junior Independents. Manager E. D. Steinman, Jr., of the Fayette City five, wants a game with a Junior team on Christmas evening.

NEWBRO'S HERPICIDE SAVES WORRY, SAVES MONEY, SAVES THE HAIR

If you want to free your head of dandruff and stop falling hair, you must sooner or later resort to Newbro's Herpicide.

By using Herpicide first you save yourself worry, which is desirable, you save money, which is a consideration, and you save your hair, which is the most important of all.

Why not profit by the experience of Mrs. S. A. Lee, of 110 South 4th St., Richmond, Va., who writes:

"Four years' residence in India ruined my hair until it was but two inches long and very thin. I tried everything in Europe and America without benefit until I was induced to use Herpicide. My hair is now long, soft and silky and natural color, while before it was quite gray. My friends never tire of admiring my hair."

Mrs. Lee's story is a typical history of hair troubles. After everything else fails Newbro's Herpicide brings relief. It would be just as effective if used first.

Newbro's Herpicide kills the dandruff germ and prevents falling hair. It stops itching of the scalp almost instantly. No matter what the claims of others, Herpicide is the only genuine original dandruff germ destroyer.

Newbro's Herpicide in 50c and $1.00 sizes is sold by all dealers who guarantee it to do all that is claimed. If you are not satisfied your money will be refunded.

Applications at good barber shops.

Send 10c for sample bottle to The Herpicide Co., Dept. R., Detroit, Mich.

Graham & Company, Special Agents.—Advertisement.

Always Have MUSTEROLE in the House

Every family should have a jar of MUSTEROLE at hand.

MUSTEROLE is a clean, white ointment, which takes the place of the oldfashioned mustard plaster and does not blister.

No plaster is necessary, simply rub it on—and the pain is gone!

It is the quickest relief for Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Tonsilitis, Croup, Stiff Neck, Asthma, Neuralgia, Headache, Congestion, Pleurisy, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Pains and Aches of the Back or Joints, Sprains, Sore Muscles, Bruises, Chilblains, Frosted Feet, Colds of the Chest (it prevents Pneumonia). Nothing like MUSTEROLE for croupy children.

At your druggist's in 25c and 50c jars, and a special large hospital size for $2.50. Sold by druggists everywhere. Accept no substitute. If your druggist cannot supply you, send 25c or 50c to the Musterole Company, Cleveland, O., and we will mail you a jar, postage prepaid.

"Our friends and ourselves would not willingly be without Musterole, as it has saved doctor's expenses many times."—William Niess, Sacramento, Cal.—Advertisement.

MUSTEROLE
WILL NOT BLISTER

Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments, and endanger the health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhœa. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of

Chas. H. Fletcher.

In Use For Over 30 Years

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

Breakfast In a Good, Warm Room

PERFECTION SMOKELESS OIL HEATER

A "warm" breakfast—the kind that sends you out ready braced for a good day's work—should be eaten in a warm room.

You lose half the good of the meal if you are shivering in discomfort while you eat it.

A Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater makes breakfast a cosy meal for the whole family.

No smoke or smell with a Perfection. Easily cleaned. Easily moved from room to room. An ornament anywhere; a luxury in the bedroom; a necessity in the sewing-room or the bathroom.

Dealers everywhere; or write for descriptive circular.

THE ATLANTIC REFINING COMPANY

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Tangretti & Funari,

101 West Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

FIRST QUALITY OF

California Fruits in Fancy Baskets

FROM $1.00 TO $5.00.

Nuts, any kind, at low prices—guaranteed.

MIXED CHRISTMAS CANDY, 3 lbs. for 25c.

10c, 15c and 25c Per Pound.

JOHNSTON COAL CO.

Are ready to supply you with RUN OF MINE OR LUMP COAL

Call on either Phone.

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CLOSED TOMORROW.
Store Open Tonight Until 11 O'clock.

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That You May Enjoy a Merry Christmas is our Sincere Wish

May the presents you give to others be appreciated to the fullest extent. And may the gifts you yourself receive be precisely the ones that will please you best.

We have tried to do our part toward making everyone's Christmas a happy day. We feel confident that the gifts purchased at this store will give their recipient the greatest amount of pleasure—present and future.

In the matter of prompt delivery, courtesy and service, it has been our aim to disappoint no one.

Our store will be closed all day Christmas. To you, and everyone—to our friends, our patrons, our loyal staff of co-workers—we extend our wishes for the merriest kind of a Merry Christmas, and the happiest kind of a Happy New Year.

This new store is wonderfully preparted to serve the eleventh hour gift buyer.

The superiority of our Xmas stock is conceded by all discriminate shoppers. We are of the opinion that a detailed account tonight of the thousands of giveable things is as unnecessary as it is impossible.

We are primed to a surpassing point to serve the eleventh hour buyer, but we will appreciate patience these rush hours, with the assurance that your needs will be supplied in the shortest possible time.

KOBACKER'S

THE BIG STORE

This Would Please Your Mother or Wife

A gift of **Puritan Aluminum Cooking Utensils** would be a mighty acceptable gift at any time, and just now it would be doubly so and what is more, articles of this kind would be appreciated for a life time. The fact is, Purintan goods never wear out and stay bright and clean always. There's something about food prepared in aluminum utensils that makes it taste a little better than the old way, too.

We've a lot of nice articles in Nickel Plated ware that you might select a nice present from Such as Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Crumb Trays, Bread Trays, and Tea Kettles.

SEE THE NEW WHITE COASTER WAGONS.

Your Boy Would Like One.

Schell Hardware Company

West Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

HAVE YOU TRIED OUR CLASSIFIED ADLETS?

THAT BOY'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

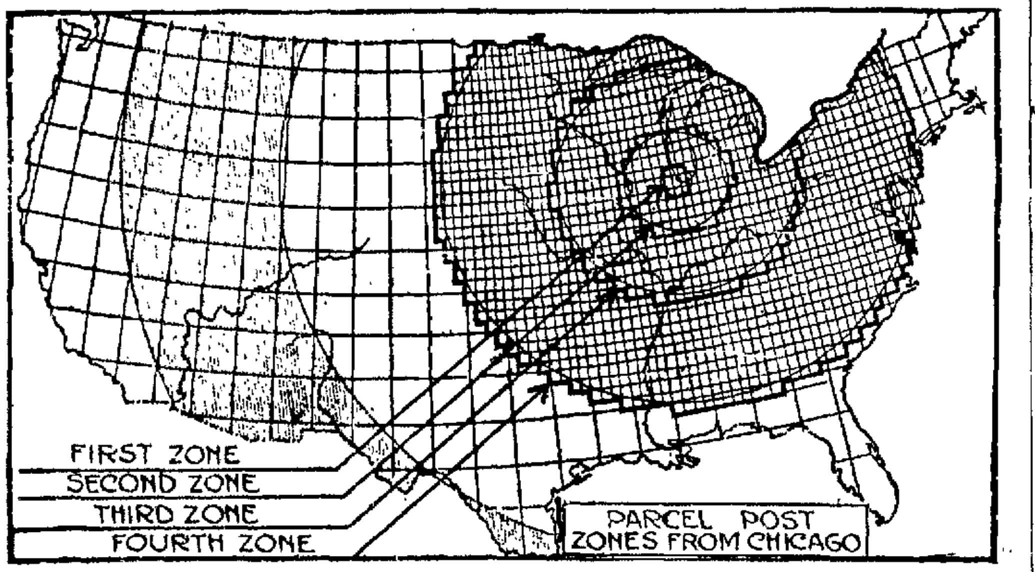
A Year's Membership in the Y. M. C. A.

BOYS 12 to 14, $3.00. BOYS 15 to 17, $4.00.

The Above Fees Include the Use of a Locker.

The way to present a boy a year's Membership is by a card in His Christmas Stocking.

Typical Map Showing How Rates Will be Figured for the Parcel Post System After January 1



This map, made with Chicago as a base, shows how the zone system will be used in arranging rates for the parcel post service which will be inaugurated January 1.

Establishing zones by drawing circles of different diameters, with each postoffice as a center, would mean an impracticable amount of figuring. Instead of using townships and counties as units or starting points it was decided to divide the whole country into blocks or units, each block being a half degree in latitude in north-south extension and half a degree of longitude east and west. There are 3,500 of these units in he country.

An example of how to get the first zone is as follows:

Find the center of the unit in which your postoffice is located. Draw a circle of 50 miles radius around that center. Every unit which lies wholly within that circle or more than half of which is within that circle is included in the first zone from any postoffice, and the postage rate is 5 cents for the first pound and 3 cents for each additional pound.

The second zone is determined by drawing with the same center a circle of 150 miles radius. Every unit which lies within it, but outside of the first zone, is in the second zone, and the rate is 6 cents for the first pound and 4 cents for each additional pound.

The method by which the second zone is determined is used for all other zones, their radii and rate of postage for the first and additional pounds respectively being as follows. Third zone, 300 miles, 7 cents, 5 cents; fourth zone, 600 miles, 8 cents, 6 cents; fifth zone, 1,000 miles, 9 cents, 7 cents; sixth zone, 1,400 miles, 10 cents, 9 cents; seventh zone, 1,800 miles, 11 cents, 10 cents; eighth zone and all territory farther away, including the Philippines and island possesions, 12 cents flat.

ALLEGHENY IS SECOND IN THE TIN BUSINESS

County Ranks Next To Lawrence and Makes Nearly One-Fourth of This Commodity.

Allegheny makes nearly one-fourth of the tin and tin plate in Pennsylvania and ranks second as a producer of these commodities, according to John L. Rockey, State Chief of Industrial Statistics. Only eight counties in the state make tin plate and Lawrence leads with the annual production of 289,594,166 pounds.

Allegheny is second with 245,591,945 pounds and a percentage of 24.316 of the output. Westmoreland comes third with 243,841,355 pounds and then follow Mercer, Washington, Philadelphia, Greene and Dauphin in the order named, Philadelphia and Dauphin being the only counties not in the western group to make the plate and their combined production is only 21,000,000 pounds.

The industry which turned out a product valued at $37,378,082 seems to be still a western business. Nineteen plants are in operation, representing an investment of more than $12,249,000, and employing 10,090 men. The employes are about evenly divided between Americans and foreigners.

Another part of the report gives data on coke production, showing Allegheny to rank 12th out of 14 counties making coke. The production of the 39 ovens in the county is given as 11,198,000 tons, or 0.6 of the state output of 29,012,011 tons.

Fayette leads with 20,765 ovens and 12,874,011 tonnage, Westmoreland being second with 9,353 ovens and 1,773,510 tons, followed by Cambria with 1,154 ovens and 585,010 tons. Washington is next with 550 ovens and 151,976 tons.

Jefferson, Clearfield, Lebanon, Indiana, Bedford, Elk, Blair, Armstrong and Somerset are the other counties given as making coke. The output of Northampton, Dauphin and Delaware not being given.

KIDNEYS SELDOM FREE FROM POISON

Clean Them Out and Backache, Sideache and Bladder Troubles Go.

It's mighty close to the truth to say that there are ten thousand apparently healthy people in America today, who will have Bright's disease, dropsy or some form of kidney disease within two months.

If you have backache, or the slightest suggestion of backache, don't take chances. Get a 50-cent bottle of Thompson's Barosma today and give your kidneys a thorough cleaning. They probably need it. If they don't, Thompson's Barosma is a good tonic anyway and will do you good.

Thompson's Barosma is guaranteed by Graham & Co., Connellsville; S. A. Lowe & Co., Scottdale, to cure kidney or bladder disease, no matter how distressing, or money back. Put up in liquid form, is quickly assimilated and goes directly to the seat of trouble. The very first dose will make your sick kidneys feel better, but bear this in mind when constipation is present, Thompson's Dandelion and Mandrake Pills should also be used. 25c.—Advertisement.

STATE ISSUES WARNING

Fire Marshal Advises Persons to Guard Against Flames.

State Fire Marshal Joseph L. Baldwin has issued a timely holiday warning against the danger of fire. He cautions all persons to exercise extreme care to prevent a blaze from turning merriment into mourning. Among other things, the Fire Marshal says:

Homes, Schools, Bazaars, and Stores—light inflamable decorations make easy fires.

Watch Gas Jets. Decorations may be carried against them by air currents.

Watch Electric Wiring. Do not make changes without consulting a competent electrician.

Watch Smokers. See that they do not throw carelessly about lighted cigars, cigarettes or matches.

Watch the Christmas Tree Decorations. Do not use paper, cotton or any other inflammable material. Use metalic tinsel or uninflammable materials and see that trees are securely fastened so that children, in reaching for things, cannot pull the tree over.

Watch the tree when lighted. See that the children do not light or relight the candles. They frequently set fire to their own clothing. The tree will burn when dry.

Watch that matches are not left within the reach of children. Keep them in metal boxes.

Watch that cotton is not put beneath a tree to make the carpet look like snow covered ground. If the appearance of snow is desired for any purpose use mineral wool or asbestos. It will not burn and gives a better effect.

General Diaz Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Gen. Domingo Diaz, who was instrumental in the acquisition by the United States of the Isthmus of Panama, died last Thursday and his body lay unrecognized until today in an undertaking shop in this city.

Auditors Report,

of Road Supervisors of Connellsville Township for year ending December 2, 1912:

Treasurer Jay Davis account.

Balance from 1911 account	$ 414.50
Cr by orders (see note A)	370.33
Cash received from E. L. Boyd, Treasurer	44.17
Cash from First National Bank (borrowed)	1,000.00
Cash from Jas. Nixon (roller hire)	200.00
Cash from State appropriation	406.00
Cash from township portion liquor license	60.00
Cash from Chas. Fuellgraf, tax collector 1911 account	2,528.02
Cash from Chas. Fuellgraf, tax collector 1912 account	4,957.06
Total cash received	$9,256.75

EXPENDITURES.

Labor on road (1911 unpaid included)	$2,570.64
Hauling	1,012.11
Irwin Leichliter, foreman and attending meetings	364.25
Phil Oppman, foreman and attending meetings	223.80
Connellsville Water Co.	7.00
P. Buttermore, blacksmith	9.60
H. C. Frick Co., wire rope, 1911 account	2.50
Title & Trust Co., rent	60.00
Boyts, Porter & Co., repairs 1911 account	2.78
R. C. Davis, coal	31.10
P. Stillwagon, blacksmith	6.85
First National Bank, note and interest	1,038.07
Chas. Fuellgraf, commissions	236.90
Griswald and Richey, time books	.50
South Penn engr. Co.	24.07
Fayette Lumber Co., 1911-12 account	58.30
M. Gilmore, sand and gravel	0.70
Miler and Miller, posts	10.87
C. Balsley, blacksmith	7.50
Connellsville Machine & Supply Co.	7.77
P. R. R. freight	3.35
Geo. Newcomer, rent	1.00
Wm. McCormick, rent	5.00
Chas. Detwiler, supplies	60.08
Jules Schlinger, barrels	2.25
Jacob Miller, powder	1.50
Clearfield Sign Co., signs	19.50
F. C. Balling, auditing	28.00
F. C. Balling, filing audit and expense	1.75
P. S. Newcomer, attorney	25.00
C. Ruck, stone	2.10
Kurtz Bros., supplies	5.70
J. B. Hogg, engineer	3.50
Frisbee Hardware Co., 1911 account	87.01
J. D. Frisbee, stone	7.75
Connellsville Borough, Eighth street paving	304.72
Dull & Co., 1911 account arch brooks	39.76
Good Road Machinery Co. account notes	1,092.33
Schell Hardware Co., 1911 account	66.64
Shafer Bros., posts, 1911 account	103.77
Ed. Bear, posts, 1911 account	19.20
Carnegie Land Co., stone	45.00
J. S. Wilkey, nails	1.00
F. Yohner, books	3.25
Mon. Stone, Clay & Brick Co.	33.11
Courier Co., printing	99.60
Sam Wilson	32.97
Jay Davis, commission, looking after roads, attending meetings	205.07
H. G. May, 1911 account Jas. May	124.25
J. H. Shaw, Treas.	4.50
W. F. Edenbo, account R. S. Pierce	64.10
Robert Shultz, rent	13.00
Frisbee Hardware Co., 1911 account	50.00
Total Expenditures	$8,012.11

UNPAID BILLS.

Good Roads Machinery Co.	$2,450.00
R. S. Matthews, attorney	50.00
V. Taxacher, stone	10.00
H. Dull, hauling	49.50
Chas. Fuellgraf, commission	154.72
Jay Davis	10.00
Schell Hardware Co.	1.32
Labor	327.93
Hauling	185.02
Phil. Oppman, foreman	53.21
Irvin Leighliter, foreman	43.98
M. Gilmore, stone	2.00
H. C. Frick Coke Co., stone	40.55
Carnegie Land Co., stone	31.06
Total unpaid bills	$3,418.91

CHAS. FUELLGRAF, TAX COLLECTOR, 1911 ACCOUNT.

Balance road tax uncollected December 4, 1911	$3,615.01
5 per cent added	180.75
Total 1911 dup. uncollected	$3,796.70
Cash paid Treasurer Jay Davis	2,528.92
Balance uncollected December 2, 1912	$1,267.78

CHAS. FUELLGRAF, COLLECTOR 1912 ACCOUNT.

Face 1912 duplicate	$6,681.25
5 per cent added after October 1, 1912	168.72
Total 1912 duplicate	$6,849.97
Cash paid Jay Davis, Treas.	4,957.06
Balance uncollected	$1,892.91

NOTE A.—Statement of Former Treasurer E. L. Boyd's account.

Balance from 1911 account ....$ 414.50

The following paid orders were accepted by the Supervisors in lieu of cash:

W. M. Grimm, labor	6.40
Jas. Jaynes, labor	2.75
G. G. Gray, labor	2.75
R. P. Adams, labor	13.60
S. Nicholson, labor	28.64
F. Stiveson, labor	6.40
H. C. Frick Co., cart and supplies	44.67
Jay Davis, hauling	13.50
Sam Wiggins, hauling	74.75
S. S. Kerns, rent	3.00
Geo. May, engineer	7.87
W. E. Coughenour, hauling	68.00
J. C. Nicholson, meetings	4.00
Auditors	50.70
C. D. Yowler, meetings, 1910-11	25.50
E. L. Boyd, meetings	4.00
G. W. Newcomer, meetings	8.00
Cash paid Jay Davis, Treas.	44.17
Total to balance account	$ 414.50

RESOURCES.

Estimated value machinery, tools, etc.	$3,400.00
Uncollected tax for 1911	1,267.78
Uncollected tax for 1912	1,892.91
Due from Jas. Nixon, roller hire	120.00
Due from School Board	65.00
Due from W. H. Fissell, roller hire	111.25
Due from T. H. Kerns, roller hire	27.00
Due from Hill Grove cemetery Co.	7.50
Balance cash on hand	803.05
Total resources	$7,764.39
(Unpaid bills) total liabilities	3,418.91
Resources exceed liabilities	$4,346.48

NOTE B.—The Road Supervisors paid a bill of sixty-five dollars to the Connellsville Courier which was properly chargeable to the School Board and should be paid to the Road Supervisors by the School Board.

Care should be taken where a single order is drawn for two or more things or services to state thereon the amount paid for each.

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We, the undersigned Auditors of Connellsville Township, hereby certify that the above account is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

FRANK C. BALLING,
E. J. CROSSSLAND,
Auditors.

Divorce Notices.

Robinson & McKean, Attorneys.

WILLIAM K. ALLEN VS. BERTHA M. Allen. In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 409 September Term, 1912. To Bertha M. Allen, Respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the second Monday of January of said Court, A. D., 1913, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. MART A. KIEFER, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, December 10th, 1912. dec11-18-26jan1

Robinson & McKean, Attorneys.

MILDRED A. MANSFIELD VS. Winslow L. Mansfield. In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 430, June Term, 1912. To Winslow L. Mansfield, Respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the second Monday of January of said Court, A. D., 1913, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. MART A. KIEFER, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, December 10th, 1912. dec11-18-26jan1

A. C. Hagan, Attorney.

DORA L. VANCE VS. DELBERT L. Vance. In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 70, September Term, 1912. To Delbert L. Vance, Respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the second Monday of January of said Court, A. D., 1913, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. MART A. KIEFER, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, December 10th, 1912. dec11-18-26jan1

Bank Elections.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CONNELLSVILLE.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1913, between the hours of 1 and 2 P. M. E. T. NORTON, Cashier.

SECOND NATIONAL BANK OF CONNELLSVILLE.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 14, 1913, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 12 M. JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, Cashier.

THE YOUGH NATIONAL BANK OF Connellsville.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1913, between the hours of 1 and 2 P. M. E. R. FLOTO, Cashier.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF Connellsville.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1913, between the hours of 2 and 3 P. M. JAMES L. KURTZ, Cashier.

COLONIAL NATIONAL BANK OF Connellsville.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1913, between the hours of 1 P. M. and 2 P. M. H. B. SCHENCK, Cashier.

UNION NATIONAL BANK.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1913, from 10 A. M. to 12 M. J. C. LONG, Cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF VANderbilt.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1913, between the hours of 9 and 10 A. M. W. A. COSGROVE, Cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF DAWson.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of seven Directors, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 14, 1913, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M. R. D. HENRY, Cashier.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF Perryopolis.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, Perryopolis, Pa., on SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1913, between the hours of 9 and 10 A. M. HOWARD ADAMS, Cashier.
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Present the above coupon at this office, with five others of consecutive dates, and the cost amount of expense items named below, and get this Safety Outfit that has made self-shaving popular.
$5.00 VERY SHARP SHAVING OUTFIT
Ready to use, all complete, contains one Safety Razor, one quick stropper, one Genuine Horse Hide Strop, Six Sharp Steel Blades, one box Very Sharp Dressing, which applied to the strop a little at a time will keep the blades sharp forever. This complete self-shaving outfit makes shaving a pleasure at any and all times. Present Six Coupons with the cost amount of expense items which is only 89c
By Mail on the Same Terms, but Include 6 Cents Additional for Postage.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK
OF CONNELLSVILLE
wishes its friends and customers everywhere
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
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Efficient Service and Courteous Treatment
Has enabled us, within the past year, to double the number of our customers. Quite a number of persons and societies, with surplus funds, who do not want to tie up their money subject to the rules of a regular 4% account, are taking advantage of our special 3% accounts.
If you are a customer at this bank you will always find us willing to extend any reasonable accommodation on satisfactory security.
Our Customers Always Receive the Preference.
If you have a little ready money it will pay you to open an account with us, become acquainted, and take advantage of our service.
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Corner Main and Pittsburg Streets.
4% interest paid on Certificates and Time Deposits. Foreign Department equipped to give the best of service.

The Yough National Bank,
126 W. Main St., Connellsville, Pa.
Capital and Surplus........$150,000
Total Resources........$900,000
4% Interest Paid on Savings.

4% Interest Paid on Savings Accounts.
SECOND NATIONAL BANK
Connellsville, Pa.
Safe Deposit Boxes in Steel Vaults for Rent.

DECEMBER 24, 1912.
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CHAPTER XXVI.

Sweetwater Returns.

"You see me again, Miss Scott. I hope that yesterday's intrusion has not prejudiced you against me."

"I have no prejudices," was her simple but firm reply. "I am only hurried and very anxious. The doctor is with Mr. Brotherson just now; but he has several other equally sick patients to visit and I dare not keep him here too long."

"Then you will welcome my abruptness. Miss Scott, here is a letter from Mr. Challoner. It will explain my position. As you will see, his only desire is to establish the fact that his daughter did not commit suicide. You have seen Miss Challoner, I believe. Do you think she was the woman to plunge a dagger in her heart in a place as public as a hotel reception room?"

"No, Mr. Sweetwater. I saw her once and it made me want to be quiet and kind and beautiful like her. I never shall think she did anything so horrible. *Nor will Mr. Brotherson* ever believe it. He could not and live. You see, I am talking to you as if you knew him—the kind of man he is and just how he feels towards Miss Challoner. He is—" Her voice trailed off and a look, uncommon and almost elevated, illumined her face. "I will not tell you what he is; you will know, if you ever see him."

Sweetwater watched her for a moment, and then remarked: "I'm going to take one thing for granted; that you are as anxious as we are to clear Miss Challoner's memory."

"O yes, O yes."

"More than that, that you are ready and eager to help us. Your very looks show that."

"You are right; I would do anything to help you. But what can a girl like me do? Nothing; nothing. I know too little. Mr. Challoner must see that when you tell him I'm only the daughter of a foreman."

"And a friend of Mr. Brotherson," supplemented Sweetwater.

"Yes," she smiled, "he would want me to say so. But that's his goodness. I don't deserve the honor."

"His friend and therefore his confidante," Sweetwater continued. "He has talked to you about Miss Challoner?"

"He had to. There was nobody else to whom he could talk; and then, I had seen her and could understand."

"Where did you see her?"

"In New York. I was there once with father, who took me to see her. I think she had asked Mr. Brotherson to send his little friend to her hotel if ever we came to New York."

"That was some time ago?"

"We were there in June."

"And you have corresponded ever since with Miss Challoner?"

"She has been good enough to write, and I have ventured at times to answer her."

Smiling a little, but in a very earnest fashion, he pointed to the letter she still held and quietly said:

"Remember that I'm not speaking for myself, Miss Scott, when I seem a little *too* persistent and inquiring. You have corresponded with Miss Challoner; you have been told the fact of her secret engagement to Mr. Brotherson and you have been witness to his conduct and manner for the whole time he has been separated from her. Do you, when you think of it carefully, recall anything in the whole story of this romance which would throw light upon the cruel tragedy which has so unexpectedly ended it? *Anything, Miss Scott?* Straws show which way the stream flows."

She was vehement, instantly vehement, in her disclaimer.

"I can answer at once," said she, "because I have thought of nothing else for all these weeks. Here all was well. Mr. Brotherson was hopeful and happy and believed in her happiness and willingness to wait for his success. And this success was coming so fast! Oh, how can we ever tell him! How can we ever answer his questions even, or keep him satisfied and calm until he is strong enough to hear the truth. I've had to acknowledge already that I have had no letter from her for weeks. She never wrote to him directly, you know, and she never sent him messages, but he knew that a letter to me was also a letter to him and I can see that he is troubled by this long silence, though he says I was quite right not to let her know of his illness and that I must continue to keep her in ignorance of it till he is quite well again and can write to her himself. It is hard to hear him talk like this and not look sad or frightened."

Sweetwater remembered Miss Challoner's last letter, and wished he had it here to give her. In default of this, he said:

"Perhaps this not hearing may act in the way of a preparation for the shock which must come to him sooner or later. Let us hope so, Miss Scott."

Her eyes filled.

"Nothing can prepare him," said she. Then added, with a yearning accent, "I wish I were older or had more experience. I should not feel so helpless. But the gratitude I owe him will give me strength when I need it most. Only I wish the suffering might be mine rather than his."

Unconscious of any self-betrayal, she lifted her eyes, startling Sweetwater by the beauty of her look.

"I don't think I'm so sorry for Oswald Brotherson," he murmured to himself as he left her. "He's a more fortunate man than he knows, however deeply he may feel the loss of his first sweetheart."

That evening the disappointed Sweetwater took the train for New York. He had failed to advance the case in hand one whit, yet the countenance he showed Mr. Gryce at their first interview was not a wholly gloomy one.

"Fifty dollars to the bad!" was his first laconic greeting. "All I have learned is comprised in these two statements. The second O. B. is a fine fellow; and not intentionally the cause of our tragedy. He does not even know about it. He's down with the fever at present and they haven't told him. When he's better we may hear something; but I doubt even that."

"Tell me about it."

Sweetwater complied; and such is the unconsciousness with which we often encounter the pivotal circumstance upon which our future or the future of our most cherished undertaking hangs, he omitted from his story the sole discovery which was of any real importance in the unraveling of the mystery in which they were so deeply concerned. He said nothing of his walk in the woods or of what he saw there.

CHAPTER XXVII.

The Image of Dread.

In the comfortable little sitting-room of the Scott cottage Doris stood, looking eagerly from the window which gave upon the road. Behind her, on the other side of the room, could be seen through a partly opened door, a neatly spread bed, with a hand lying quietly on the patched coverlid. Several weeks had passed since the departure of Sweetwater and the invalid was fast gaining strength. Tomorrow, he would be up.

Was Doris thinking of him? Undoubtedly, for her eyes often flashed his way; but her main attention was fixed upon the road, though no one was in sight at the moment. Some one had passed for whose return she looked; some one whom, if she had been asked to describe, she would have called a tall, fine-looking man of middle age, of a cultivated appearance seldom seen in this small manufacturing town; seldom seen, possiby, in any town. He had glanced up at the window as he went by, in a manner too marked not to excite her curiosity. Would he look up again when he came back? She was waiting there to see. Why, she did not know. She was not used to indulging in petty suppositions of this kind; her life was too busy, her anxieties too keen. The great dread looming ever before her—the dread of that hour when she must speak—left her very little heart for anything dissociated with this coming event.

But her interest had been caught today, caught by this stranger, and when during her eager watch the small messenger from the Works came to the door with the usual daily supply of books and magazines for the patient, she stepped out on the porch to speak to him and to point out the gentleman who was now rapidly returning from his stroll up the road.

"Who is that, Johnny?" she asked.

The boy looked, searched his memory, not without some show of misgiving.

"A queer name," he admitted at last. "Shally something. Shally—Shally—"

"Challoner?"

"Yes, that's it. How could you guess? He's from New York. Don't seem to have no business."

"Well, never mind. Run on, Johnny. And don't forget to come earlier tomorrow; Mr. Brotherson gets tired waiting."

"Does he? I'll come quick then; quick as I can run." And he sped off at a pace which promised well for the morrow.

Challoner! There was but one Challoner *in the world for Doris Scott*—Edith's father. Was this he? It must be, or why this haunting sense of *something half remembered* as she caught a glimpse of his face. Edith's father! and he was approaching, approaching rapidly, on his way back to town. She had not closed the door; something within—a hope or a dread—had prevented that. Would he take it as an invitation to come in? No, no; she was not ready for such an encounter yet. He might speak Edith's name; Oswald might hear and—with a gasp she recognized the closeness of his step; heard it lag, almost halt just where the path to the house ran into the roadside. But it passed on.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

I Hope Never to See That Man.

Mr. Challoner continued to pass the house twice a day and the time finally came when he ventured up the walk.

Doris was in the window and saw him coming. She slipped softly out and intercepted him before he had stepped upon the porch.

"Miss Scott?" he asked.

"Yes, Mr. Challoner."

"You know me!" he went on, one foot on the step and one still on the walk.

Before replying she closed the door behind her. Then as she noted his surprise she carefully explained:

"Mr. Brotherson, our boarder, is just recovering from typhoid. He is still weak and acutely susceptible to the least noise. I was afraid that our voices might disturb him. Do you mind walking a little way up the road? That is, if your visit was intended for me."

Her flush, the beauty which must have struck even him, but more than all else her youth, seemed to reconcile him to this unconventional request. Bowing, he took his foot from the step, saying, as she joined him:

"Yes, you are the one I wanted to see; that is, today. Later, I hope to have the privilege of a conversation with Mr. Brotherson."

She gave him one quick look, trembling so that he offered her his arm with a fatherly air.

"I see that you understand my errand here," he proceeded, with a grave smile, meant as she knew for her encouragement. "I am glad, because we can go at once to the point. Miss Scott," he continued in a voice from which he no longer strove to keep back the evidences of deep feeling, "I have the strongest interest in your patient that one man can have in another, where there is no personal acquaintanceship. You who have every reason to understand my reasons for this, will accept the statement, I hope, as frankly as it is made."

"Who Is That, Johnny?"

She nodded. Her eyes were full of tears, but she did not hesitate to raise them.

"When I lost my daughter, I lost everything," he declared, as they walked slowly up the road. "Nothing excites my interest, save that which once excited hers. I am told that the deepest interest of her life lay here. I am also told that it was an interest quite worthy of her. I expect to find it so. I hope with all my heart to find it so, and that is why I have come to this town and expect to linger till Mr. Brotherson has recovered sufficiently to see me. I hope that this will be agreeable to him. I hope that I am not presuming too much in cherishing those expectations."

Doris turned her candid eyes upon him.

"I cannot tell; I do not know," said she. "Nobody knows, not even the doctor, what effect the news we dread to give him will have upon Mr. Brotherson. You will have to wait—we all shall have to wait the results of that revelation. It cannot be kept from him much longer."

"You have had much to carry for one so young," was Mr. Challoner's *sympathetic remark*. "You must let me help you when that awful moment comes. I am at the hotel and shall stay there till Mr. Brotherson is pronounced quite well. I have no other duty now in life but to sustain him *through* his trouble and then, with what aid he can give, search out and find the cause of my daughter's *death* which I will *never* admit without the fullest proof, to have been one of suicide."

Doris trembled.

"It was not suicide," she declared, vehemently. "I have always felt sure that it was not; but today I know."

Her hand fell clenched on her breast and her eyes gleamed strangely. Mr. Challoner was himself *greatly startled*.

"I've not told any one," she went on, as he stopped short in the road, in his anxiety to understand her. "But I will tell you. Only, not here, not with all these people driving past; *most of whom know me.* Come to the house later—this evening, after Mr. Brotherson's room is closed for the night. I have a little sitting-room on the other side of the hall where we can talk without being heard. Would *you object to doing that?*"

"No, not at all," he assured her. "Expect me at eight. Will that be too *early?*"

"No, no. Oh, how those people stared! Let us hasten back or they *may connect your name with what we* want kept secret."

He smiled at her fears, but gave in to her humor; he *would see her soon* again and possibly learn something which would amply repay him, both for his trouble and his patience.

But when evening came and she turned to face him in that little sitting-room where he had quietly followed her, he was conscious of a change in her manner which forbade these high hopes.

"I don't know what you will think of me," she ventured at last, motioning to a chair but not *sitting herself.* "You have had time to think over what I said and probably expect something real—something you could tell people. But it isn't like that. It's a feeling—a belief. I'm so sure—"

"Sure of what, Miss Scott?"

She gave a glance at the door before stepping up nearer. He had not taken the chair she proffered.

"Sure that I have seen the face of the man who murdered her. It was in a dream," she whisperingly completed, her great eyes misty with awe.

"A dream, Miss Scott?" He tried to hide his disappointment.

"Yes; I knew that it would sound foolish to you; it sounds foolish to me. But listen, sir. Listen to what I have to tell and then you can judge. I was very much agitated yesterday. I had to write a letter at Mr. Brotherson's dictation—a letter to her. You can understand my horror and the effort I made to hide my emotion. I was quite unnerved. I could not sleep till morning, and then—and then—I saw—I hope I can describe it."

Grasping at a nearby chair, she leaned on it for support, closing her eyes to all but that inner vision. A breathless moment followed, then she murmured in strained monotonous ones:

"I see it again—just as I saw it in *the early morning*—but even more plainly, if that is possible. A hall—(I should call it a hall, though I don't *remember seeing any place like it* before), with a little staircase at the side, up which there comes a man, *who stops just at the top and looks* intently my way. There is fierceness in his face—a look which means no *good to anybody*—and as his hand goes to his overcoat pocket, drawing out something which I cannot describe, but which he handles as if it were a pistol, I feel a horrible fear, and—and—" The child was staggering, and the hand which was free had sought her heart where it lay clenched, the knuckles showing white *in the dim light.*

Mr. Challoner watched her with dilated eyes, the spell under which she spoke falling in some degree upon him. Had she finished? Was this all? No; she is speaking again, but very low, almost in a whisper.

"There is music—a crash—but I plainly see his other hand approach the object he is holding. He takes something from the end—the object is pointed my way—I am looking into—into—what? I do not know. I cannot even see him now. The space where he stood is empty. Everything fades, and I wake with a loud cry in my ears and a sense of death here." She had lifted her hand and struck at her heart, opening her eyes as she did so. "Yet it was not I who had been shot," she added softly.

Mr. Challoner shuddered. This was like the reopening of his daughter's grave. But he had entered upon the scene with a full appreciation of the ordeal awaiting him and he did not lose his calmness, or the control of his judgment.

"Be seated, Miss Scott," he entreated, taking a chair himself. "You have described the spot and some of the circumstances of my daughter's death as accurately as if you had been there. But you have doubtless read a full account of those details in the papers; possibly seen pictures which would make the place quite real to you. The mind is a strange storehouse. We do not always know what lies hidden within it."

"That's true," she admitted. "But the man! I had never seen the man, or any picture of him, and his face was clearest of all. I should know it if I saw it anywhere. It is imprinted on my memory as plainly as yours. Oh, I hope never to see that man!"

Leaning toward her that he might get her full attention, he waited till her eyes met his, then quietly asked:

"Have you ever named this man to yourself?"

She started and dropped her eyes.

"*I do not dare to,*" said she.

"Why?"

"Because I've read in the papers that the man *who stood there* had the same name as—"

"Tell me, Miss Scott."

"As Mr. Brotherson's brother."

"But you do not think it was his brother?"

"I do not know."

"You've never seen his brother?"

"Never."

"Nor his picture?"

"No, Mr. Brotherson has none."

"Aren't they friends? Does he never mention Orlando?"

"Very, very rarely. But I've no reason to think they are not on good terms. I know they correspond."

"Miss Scott?"

"Yes, Mr. Challoner."

"You must not rely too much upon your dream."

Her eyes flashed to his and then fell again.

"Dreams are not revelations; they are the reproduction of what already lies hidden in the mind. I can prove that your dream is such."

"How?" She looked startled.

"You speak of seeing something being leveled at you which made you think of a pistol."

"Yes, I was looking directly into it."

"But my daughter was not shot. She died from a stab."

Doris' lovely face, with its tender lines and girlish curves, took on a strange look of conviction which deepened, rather than melted under his indulgent, but penetrating gaze.

"I know that you think so—but my dream says no. I saw this object. It was pointed directly towards me—above all, I saw his face. It was the face of one whose finger is on the trigger and who means death; and I believe my dream."

Well, it was useless to reason further. Gentle in all else, she was immovable so far as this idea was concerned and, seeing this, he let the matter go and prepared to take his leave.

She seemed to be quite ready for this. Anxiety about her patient had regained its place in her mind, and her glance sped constantly toward the door. Taking her hand in his, he said some kind words, then crossed to the door and opened it. Instantly her finger flew to her lips and, obedient to its silent injunction, he took up his hat in silence, and was proceeding down the hall, when the bell rang, startling them both and causing him to step quickly back.

"Who is it?" she asked. "Father's in and visitors seldom come so late."

"Shall I see?"

She nodded, looking strangely troubled as the door swung open, revealing the tall, strong figure of a man facing them from the porch.

"A stranger," formed itself upon her lips, and she was moving forward, when the man suddenly stepped into the glare of the light, and she stopped, with a murmur of dismay which pierced Mr. Challoner's heart and prepared him for the words which now fell shudderingly from her lips.

"It is he! It is he! I said that I should know him wherever I saw him." Then with a quiet turn towards the intruder, "Oh, why, why, did you come here!"

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Miss Minnie M. Kimmell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kimmell, of Jenner township, and Thomas L. Morley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Morley, of Laughlintown, Westmoreland county, were married at Jennertown, December 20, by the Rev. Charles E. Berkey.

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Railroad or private and steamship combinations control the greater steamship lines of the United States and have destroyed competition on many of the water highways of commerce, Luther Conant, Jr., Commissioner of Corporations, declares in a report to President Taft.

The revelations of the report, based on an extensive investigation, force on the Federal Government, the commissioner says, the consideration of further regulation of joint rail and water traffic.

In practically all the coast water of the country, it is declared, railroad or steamship consolidation dominate water transportation.

The New Haven system, it is charged, "has pursued a determined policy of suppressing any effective competition on Long Island Sound. The extensive water traffic between New York and New England ports is controlled almost completely, the report adds, by the New Haven road or by the Eastern Steamship Company, in which the New Haven is a stockholder.

The Southern Pacific likewise is declared to have shown "a disposition to restrict competition" on the Atlantic coast, although its steamship lines really "are a water extension of that company's rail lines."

The railroads controlling the greatest tonnage on steamship lines, according to Mr. Conant, are the New Haven, Union Pacific, Pennsylvania, New York Central and Central of Georgia.

Nearly all the important anthracite fleets on the North Atlantic coast, the commissioner says, are owned by a few great anthracite railroads.

On the Great Lakes all the important through passenger and package-freight lines, it is declared, are owned by railroads. Several of the principal Lake fleets handling ore, coal and lumber, it is said, are under the control of important industrial concerns, the largest being the Pittsburg Steamship Company, controlled by the United States Steel Corporation.

Mr. Conant says the great bulk of bituminous coal, the principal item of traffic today on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, is handled by a single industrial line—the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Company, controlled by the Pittsburg Coal Company.

Railroads control, Mr. Conant continues, about 50 per cent. of the mileage of the few private canals remaining in operation.

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The boundaries of the topographic maps published by the United States Geological Survey disregard all political subdivisions, even State lines. The areas maped are bounded by parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude. Some of the maps show portions of as many as three States. As an example, the Williamsport map, just printed and placed on sale by the United States Geological Survey, covers parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

The area covered by the map lies between longitude 77° 45' and 78° and latitude 39° 30' and 39° and 45' and embraces about 235 square miles. Across the southern half of the sheet is shown Potomac river like a great blue snake, dividing this portion of *West Virginia from Maryland*, while meandering down from the north comes Conococheague creek, joining the river at Williamsport, the most important town in the area mapped.

The Mason and Dixon line, the boundary between Maryland and Pennsylvania, runs across the northern portion of the area. Every wagon road, trolley line, and railroad is *clearly depicted in its exact position* with reference to the other roads and towns as well as the topography of the country, and the brown contour lines which cover the map show the altitude of every point and the exact shapes of the hills, slopes, and valley.

The cost of this surveying and the drafting of this map has been several thousand dollars, of which one-half was paid by the States and one-half by the Federal Government, but the map is sold by the United States Geological Survey at the nominal price of 10 cents each, or 6 cents if as many as 50 are ordered at one time. No such ideal maps are issued by any private map makers, but it *is* safe to say that if they were they would sell for $1 to $3 each.

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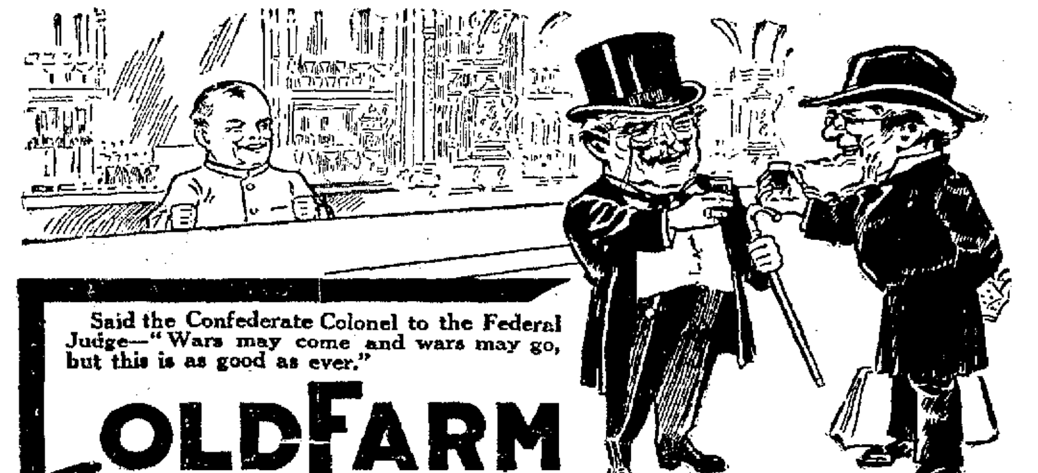

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